

U-BOATS TO WAGE RUTHLESS WARFARE

GERMANY ANNOUNCES BLOCKADE OF ENGLAND

PEACE AND MEANS OF PRESERVING PEACE GO GLIMMERING

Starvation Blockade Will Begin Long-Feared Campaign of Ruthlessness—U. S. Again Faces Severance of Diplomatic Relations With Germany With All Its Eventual Possibilities

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—Germany has declared unrestricted submarine warfare.

A starvation of England, the like of which the world never has seen, was announced to the world today in notes delivered to American Ambassador Gerard in Berlin and to the state department here by Count Von Bernstorff.

Begins Long-Feared Campaign.

Thus begins the long-feared campaign of ruthlessness, conceived by Von Hindenburg, it is said here, on a magnitude never even contemplated by Von Tirpitz.

Again the United States faces severance of diplomatic relations with Germany with all its eventual possibilities. President Wilson's repeated warnings of "a world-a-fire" and Secretary Lansing's "verge of war" statement are being recalled in the capital tonight with feelings of apprehension and misgiving.

Germany's action is the super-crisis of all those that have stirred the American government in two and a half years of world war.

President Incredulous at First.

Peace and means of preserving peace have gone glimmering. President Wilson, incredulous at first when the unofficial text of Germany's warning was brought to him, at once called for the official document which had just been presented to Secretary Lansing by the German ambassador. Mr. Lansing absolutely refused to make a comment.

President Wilson began at once a careful study of the document.

The president has the task of deciding what shall be the course of the United States. Three immediate steps appear among the possibilities. The United States might solemnly warn Germany against a violation of her pledges; it might be decided that the German warning is sufficient notice of an intention to disregard those pledges and a sufficient warrant for breaking off diplomatic relations; it might be decided to await the results of the blockade and determine the course of the United States as the actual operations develop.

On almost every side Germany's drastic action is interpreted as an open confession of the effectiveness of the British food blockade. It is regarded as a determination to strike back in kind.

German officials in the United States estimate the food supply on the British Isles will last a month.

Expect War to End in Month.

Admittedly, the plan is to carry starvation to the doors of England with swift, staggering strokes, as a fulfillment of Germany's announced determination to use every weapon and agency at her command to end the war quickly. She counts on the operations of an unheard-of number of submarines to deliver blows to bring England to her knees within sixty days. One German official here predicted today the war would be over in a month.

Conveyed to the world as her answer to the refusal of the entente allies to talk peace, Germany's latest warning says: "From Feb. 1, 1917, within barred zones around Great Britain, France, Italy and in the eastern Mediterranean all sea traffic forthwith will be opposed."

It virtually is a renewal and an extension of the celebrated submarine blockade of the British Isles proclaimed on Feb. 4, 1915, and which became effective Feb. 18, 1915. Under it, ships were sunk without warning, until Germany abandoned the practice and gave her assurances, in the Sussex case, to abide by international law. The Lusitania, Falaba and scores of other ships were sunk under the decree.

Warn American Citizens.

American citizens and American ships are warned from entering the war zones, although certain precautionary measures are suggested for distinguishing American steamers not carrying contraband according to the German list. These conditions in almost the same form were rejected when proposed by Germany early in the negotiations over the Lusitania. At that time Germany proposed to guarantee immunity from attack to certain specified passenger ships sailing on prescribed courses with a good distinguishing mark and carrying no contraband.

President Wilson rejected the proposal promptly on the ground that the United States was contending only for its rights.

The new German proclamation brushes aside all the perplexing collateral issues which have surrounded the submarine controversy and brings it back to the point where it was left at the conclusion of the Sussex case.

Today's announcement reciting the refusal of Germany's enemies to discuss her peace proposals and referring to the starvation blockade, says:

Forced To New Decisions.

"Thus a new situation has sprung up which forces Germany also to new decisions. The new decision is ex-

Comment on German

Note to United States

New York Sun.—The note closes for the present the chapter of altruistic endeavors and tentative of parley into which President Wilson has written his idealistic hopes. It creates an entirely new situation of the most practical sort so far as the United States is concerned and serious in the extreme in its possibilities of untoward incidents which may put to the test the steadfastness of Washington in its attitude and assertion of the principles which our state department has already enunciated.

Worcester, Mass. Telegram.—It is a declaration of war against the United States, sent in the form of an insult which red-blooded Americans cannot stand for. It is the most astonishing paper ever issued by a government sustained by a sane people.

Denver Post.—Germany is rushing to her doom. There is no plan in the universe that permits a nation to succeed by such methods as these and this final step of Germany in defiance of the United States, permits President Wilson to have no other choice than the severance of diplomatic relations altogether.

Chicago Herald.—Germany's reply to President Wilson's suggestion of a world league to enforce peace is an unconscious masterpiece of cynicism and savage irony. It tears up as they were a new scrap of paper, all the assurances that have been given to respect the rights of neutrals in submarine warfare. The note harshly summons Washington to forego for a time the grandest dream of a dream in which peace is guaranteed and to look to our own great neutral rights. Retaliation against Great Britain cannot justify violation of international law any more than it did at first. Nor in the name of "humanity" will neutrals willingly consent to see both humanity and their own rights violated.

St. Louis Republic.—The German submarine note is a bold declaration that for Germany might in the future make right on the sea. The treaty with the United States will become like the treaty with Belgium a mere scrap of paper.

Traces of curious delusion that a formal notice of intent to do an illegal thing somehow legalizes it, so apparent when the Lusitania warning was issued—appear in the phraseology of the German combination.

Germany is making a fatal mistake in the present and inviting sure defeat in the future.

Chicago Staats Zeitung.—The iron ring around British rascality and brutality is closed. Germany is forced to transfer its activity to the point at which it can deal the death blow to England, the responsible instigator of the war and master of the entente powers.

It is the nemesis for England's decree of starvation blockade against the seventy millions in Germany. * * * Further to serve the cause of humanity, the government of the United States could do nothing better than to cooperate to bring this bloody war to an end, possible only by a rigorous blockade of England.

New York American.—It is a time to walk warily to decide coolly to be very sure of each step and very confident of each decision. And certainly we must assure the president that whatever the issue may be the nation is loyally behind him. We are profoundly hopeful that out own peace can be maintained and that Mr. Wilson will find a way to do so with honor. But if it is to be his lot to find no other way to walk in honor except with the sword in hand which God forbid!—then we will all walk loyally in that way with him.

New York World.—There can be only one answer on the part of the United States to the new German submarine proclamation and that answer should be made today. The German ambassador must receive his passports forthwith and diplomatic relations must cease at once. There should be no procrastination until the hand of the United States government is forced by premeditated murder and depredation.

Hartford Current.—Germany announces that she is going to increase the ferocity of her marine warfare and warns us to look out. The allies declare that they want no peace without victory. That is the return so far from President Wilson's surprising intrusion into European affairs. England has the greatest navy of the world and it is up to her to protect the ships that Germany threatens to destroy. What Wilson will do about it remains with Wilson, subject, of course to the advice of Colonel House.

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German Blockade Note

BERLIN, Jan. 31.—via Wireless to Sayville.—Following is the annex referred to in the German note:

"From Feb. 1, 1917, within barred zones around Great Britain, France, Italy and in the eastern Mediterranean, as outlined in the following, all sea traffic forthwith will be opposed. * * *"

"Neutral ships lying within the barred zones do so at their risk. Although precautions are being taken to spare neutral ships which on Feb. 1 are on the way to ports in the barred zone, during an appropriate delay yet it is urgently to be advised that they should be warned and directed to other routes by all means available.

"Neutral ships lying in ports of the barred zones can with the same safety abandon the barred zones if they sail before Feb. 5 and take the shortest route into the open district.

"Traffic of regular American passenger steamers can go on unmolested; if

"A—Falmouth is taken as the port of destination, and if,

"B—On the going and return journey the Scilly Islands as well as the point 50 degrees north, 20 degrees west be steered on. Along this route no German mines will be laid.

"C—If steamers on this journey bear the following special signals which only they will be permitted to display in American ports, a coating of paint on the ship's hull and the superstructure in vertical stripes three meters broad, alternating white and red, on every mast a large flag of checkered white and red, on the stern American national flag; during darkness the national flag and the coat of paint to be as easily recognizable as possible a distance and the ships must be completely and brightly illuminated.

"D—If only one steamer runs each week in each direction arriving at Falmouth on Sundays, leaving Falmouth on Wednesday.

"E—If guarantees and assurances are given by the American government that these steamers carry no contraband (according to the German list of contraband).

"Two copies of maps on which the barred zones are outlined are added."

(Full text of note to Lansing on page 5.)

ALLIES PREPARED TO MEET GERMAN MOVES

Ports of Liverpool and Bordeaux Will Be Kept Open

British Steamship Men Assert First Step by British Admiralty Will Be To Arm Every Ship with Guns Fore and Aft.

New York, Jan. 31.—Great Britain and her allies are prepared to meet Germany's moves in her submarine campaign it was authoritatively asserted in shipping circles here tonight.

The ports of Liverpool and Bordeaux will be kept open at all hazards. British steamship representatives asserted, even if it becomes necessary to convoy every merchant ship which crosses the Atlantic. The first step to be taken by the British admiralty, will be to arm every ship with guns fore and aft, for defensive purposes. It was predicted. To meet the emergency which it was confidently expected would arise eventually the British government has been assembling for months, it is said, a large fleet of small fast cruisers to be used as "submarine chasers."

Agents of British lines declared the admiralty now has a fleet of 4,000 vessels available to keep the sea lanes clear and to act as convoys. The assertion was made that there will be no interruption in the sailings from American ports of ships flying the flags of the entente allies.

It was considered probable however that vessels flying neutral colors will be kept in port until instructions are received from their governments.

A marked advance in marine insurance tomorrow was said tonight to be inevitable. One way rates today for American vessels were 7 per cent, while there was a 10 per cent war risk rate on ships for Mediterranean ports.

HEAVY GALES SWEEPING PACIFIC

San Francisco, Jan. 31.—The heaviest gales in the history of modern navigation are sweeping the Pacific Ocean according to wireless advices received here today by the Toyo Kisenkaisha a Japanese steamship company. No wrecks have been reported.

THOUSANDS GO ON STRIKE

Cedar Rapids, Ia., Jan. 31.—More than a thousand employees of the Quaker Oats company plant here went on strike today because of the discharge of one of the employees. During trouble at the plant six weeks ago the employees were organized into a union and afterward affiliated with the American Federation of Labor.

ADVANCE SUBSCRIPTION PRICE

Steuenville, O., Jan. 31.—The Steuenville Herald-Star and the Steuenville Gazette today announced that beginning tomorrow the price of the papers would be advanced from 25 cents a month to ten cents a week, and single copies from one cent to two cents, owing to the high cost of paper.

CHARGE CONSPIRACY TO MURDER LLOYD-GEORGE

Three Women and One Man are Arrested

Case Adjourned Until Saturday After Formal Evidence Concerning Arrest is Given—Defendants Deny Knowledge of Charge.

Derby, Eng., Jan. 31.—Mrs. Alice Wheeldon, her two daughters and the husband of one of them, Alfred George Mason, were charged at the guild hall here today with conspiring to murder Premier Lloyd-George and Arthur Henderson, member of the house of commons and of the war council.

Information laid by an inspector of Scotland Yards charged "that the defendants on divers days between December 25 and the date of laying his information, did amongst themselves unlawfully and wickedly conspire, confederate and agree together against the Right Honorable David Lloyd-George and the Right Honorable Arthur Henderson, wilfully and with malice aforethought, to kill and murder, contrary to the offences against persons act of 1861, and against the peace of our Lord, the King, his crown and dignity."

The information is signed by A. P. Bodkin, prosecuting on behalf of the crown.

Deny the Charge.

After formal evidence concerning the arrest had been given, the case was adjourned until Saturday. Mrs. Wheeldon, who is 50 years of age, resides in Derby with her daughter, Ann, aged 27, who is a school teacher here. Mason, who is 24, is a chemist of Southhampton.

On being arrested the defendants denied any knowledge of the charge. They declined to make any statement.

WILSON STUDIES GERMAN NOTE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—President Wilson went to bed at 11 o'clock tonight after spending the evening alone in his study with a copy of the German note. This apparently disposed of suggestions that some action might be taken before morning.

The president saw no callers, he is understood to have used the telephone freely. As far as could be learned no plans have been laid for him to go before congress as he did to announce the sending of the Sussex note threatening to break off diplomatic relations.

House Leaves for Washington. New York, Feb. 1.—Col. E. M. House one of President Wilson's most trusted unofficial advisers left for Washington at 12:36 o'clock this morning. He secluded himself in a sleeping car before the train was opened to other travelers.

FILES BREACH OF PROMISE

SUIT AGAINST GIRL. Chicago, Jan. 31.—Herman P. Mainan, a clothing designer spent \$3 a week for six months in court with Miss Edith L. Wolfson, according to his itemized statement submitted today in his breach of promise suit against Miss Wolfson. He wants \$9,538 for the alleged jilting.

FAILS TO NAME EXACT SOURCE OF INFORMATION

Connolly Specifically Exonerates Bolling from All Blame

Washington Broker States His Advice to Hutton Firm Were Based Principally on "Gossip and Rumor" and Deductions From Wilson's Speech.

New York, Jan. 31.—Francis A. Connolly the Washington broker and partner of R. W. Bolling, a brother-in-law of President Wilson who on Dec. 29 gave E. P. Hutton & Co., New York brokers, an accurate resume of the president's peace note ten hours before it was published, failed today to name the exact source of his information. He specifically exonerated Bolling, however, from all blame. Mr. Connolly smilingly said his advice to the Hutton firm were based principally on "gossip and rumor" and deductions he had made from a speech he heard President Wilson deliver at a Gridiron club dinner in Washington on Dec. 9.

Examination Unfinished. Connolly's examination was unfinished when the committee adjourned tonight.

Although Connolly had described the forthcoming note as "a movement of great moment" he declared its significance had not impressed him. Total losses of his customers between Dec. 9 and Dec. 25, the so-called "peace period," aggregated \$40,000, according to the testimony of E. P. Hutton who preceded Connolly on the stand.

Connolly declared that the fact that he was a relative of the president had not influenced him the slightest in inviting Bolling to become a member of his firm.

Dispatch of the forecast to New York Connolly said, followed receipt by him of a stock flash from Hutton & Co., timed 12:57 o'clock, which warned all the Hutton correspondents that a statement "intended to promote peace prospects" was expected from the state department.

Connecting the "flash," the "gossip" and his own impressions of what the note might be, gleaned from the president's Gridiron Club speech, he said, he grabbed a piece of paper from the window sill and dashed off the prophetic resume. Bennett Takes Up Text of Resume. Representative Bennett took up with the witness the text of his resume of the note, phrase by phrase, in an effort to get an explanation as to how he had happened to use language which resembled "that of statesmanship" but without receipt.

"Don't you think that this is an extraordinarily prophetic resume of the president's note?" he asked. Connolly replied that he did not recall the note well enough to answer.

"Well," remarked Bennett, "if you will read the note again your opinion of your powers of prophecy will go up."

George A. Ellis, Jr., who drafted the Hutton warning to its correspondents from Connolly's peace note "tip" was summoned from near Savannah, Ga., today to appear before the committee without delay. He is expected to testify Friday.

Hutton in his testimony today blamed Secretary Lansing's "verge of war" statement of Dec. 21 more than the president's note for the slump in stocks.

DECISION INVOLVES TAXES AND PENALTIES

CHICAGO, Jan. 31.—Stamp taxes and penalties estimated at between \$2,000,000 and \$10,000,000 are involved in a decision against the Chicago Board of Trade which was given by Judge Evan A. Evans late today.

A temporary restraining order issued against Collector of Internal Revenue Smitka was dissolved by the decision of Judge Evans, sitting in the United States district court, and in his opinion the government is sustained in every point, including the right of examination of the books and records of the board of trade.

The decision grants to the collector of internal revenue the right to assess and collect taxes and penalties on all transactions of the board of trade whether completed near of the members, offers or transfers on the board of trade.

STEAMER TAMPOCO AGROUND

Nantucket, Mass., Jan. 31.—The steamer Tampoco, which left Boston last night for Newport News, ran ashore on the southerly end of Great Point Rip, off Nantucket, early today. The Coast Guard tug, boarded the steamer and reported that she was leaning slightly but in no immediate danger. A cutter was sent to her assistance.

WEATHER INDICATIONS AND TEMPERATURES

Illinois: Generally fair Thursday and Friday, preceded by snow flurries in northeast portion Thursday morning, severe cold wave; northwest gale.

Temperatures. The current, maximum and minimum temperatures as recorded Wednesday were:

Jacksonville	25	51	25
Boston	36	44	32
Buffalo	28	39	26
New York	38	44	34
New Orleans	72	78	66
Chicago	35	42	29
Detroit	38	42	28
Omaha	28	32	28
St. Paul	2	6	2
Helena	-16	-14	-26
San Francisco	48	50	38
Winnipeg	-18	-18	-30

MALONE CLOSES PORT OF NEW YORK

Collector Issues Orders to Permit No Vessel to Pass Out

PURPOSE NOT DISCLOSED

Order Applies Not Only To Steamships But to Tug Boats

PORT SEALED TIGHTLY

BULLETIN

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—At midnight twenty patrolmen were dispatched to the docks at the Hudson river and 130th street where five Hamburg-American Line Steamships are tied up. Many other patrolmen were held in reserve in stations as far north as Spayten Duvyl. The officers were not told what their duties were to be.

NEW YORK, Jan. 31.—Orders were issued tonight to the torpedo boats stationed at Quarantine to preserve neutrality, not to permit any vessel, either neutral or flying the flag of one of the belligerents to pass out tonight.

Purpose Not Disclosed. The order applied not only to steamships but to tug boats. Several tugs which passed Quarantine early in the evening before the order was issued were compelled to return to port. The purpose of the order was not disclosed.

Commander Upham, aide to Admiral Usher, commandant of the New York navy yard declined tonight to comment in any way upon the order.

It was learned late tonight that the order closing the port of New York was issued by Dudley Field Malone, collector of the port of New York in whom is vested absolute authority and sole responsibility for the maintenance of the neutrality of this port.

Even naval officers are under orders to take orders from Mr. Malone in all matters affecting the neutrality of New York.

Every Exit Closed. Under his orders this port was sealed tightly during the night. Every exit was closed. What caused the collector to take this action could not be learned. It was known however, that he had received reports which led him to believe that extreme steps to protect the neutrality of the port should be taken and that he acted upon his own initiative.

Apparently there was no basis for the supposition that one of the German liners interned at Hoboken might be preparing for a dash to sea. It was learned, however, that deputy collector of the port Lamb, had a conference on the Hamburg-American dock with Chief of Police Hay of Hoboken and representatives of the German steamship company. There were no signs of unusual activity on any of the interned vessels.

Teuton Ships Under Surveillance. Twenty four steamships, some of them the largest in the world, owned by German interests are tied up at piers on the New Jersey side of the Hudson river while three Austrian vessels are docked at Brooklyn piers. All of them have been under constant surveillance of United States agents to prevent any violation of neutrality. A neutrality squad was organized more than a year ago under the direction of Mr. Malone.

It has been understood since the beginning of the war that prompt action would be taken if crews or agents refused to observe rules.

Deputy Collector of the Port Lamb and a squad of customs officers assisted by several Hoboken detectives carefully inspected tonight the German vessels docked at Hoboken, paying particular attention to the machinery. It was reported, however, that everything was found in satisfactory condition.

Hold Crews on Ships. Philadelphia, Jan. 31.—Orders were issued tonight by Captain Russell, commandant of the Philadelphia navy yard, to keep shore leave until further notice to the sailors of the German cruisers Prinz Eitel Friedrich and the Kron Prinz Wilhelm interned at the yard. There are about 700 men aboard the two boats and they have granted shore leave twice a week.

COSTA RICA REMAINS QUIET

San Jose, Costa Rica, Jan. 31.—Peace remains undisturbed throughout the country, notwithstanding the deposition last Saturday of President Gonzalez. Federico Tinoco, the provisional president, has appointed a ministry. The provisional government today issued a decree for elections on April 1 for a congress which will meet on May 1 to draw up a new constitution.

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The president of the American Stationers association says that increasing prices of stationery are due to the fact that U. S. residents are writing more letters than ever before. If he had referred to "notes" the people would readily have understood the meaning.

There is no use regretting now the U. S. expedition to catch Villa, for that will soon be an affair of the past. But the memory will remain for some time while the people are engaged unenthusiastically in paying the taxes to take care of the government's expense bill of \$102,000 for the expedition and border line defense.

There is no more significant side-light on the European war than the rumor which comes along with Germany's note and declaration, that Admiral von Tirpitz was deposed from power, not because he advocated a supreme policy so ruthless as to incur the displeasure of the emperor—but because the campaign he planned was not successful.

The Philadelphia North American suggests that all European nations engaged in the war have been compelled to restrict the consumption of food by law. In this country the people have adopted the method of letting the price fixers arrange for the restrictions. It is much simpler for the American plan we have less food for more money.

Let us hope that John N. Willys is right in his optimistic view that the common fear which exists in some quarters that the ending of the foreign conflict will seriously affect our own prosperity, is quite unwarranted. This influential automobile manufacturer declares that the present prosperity will continue after peace comes. Peace seemed nearer when Mr. Willys made that statement Tuesday of this week than it does today.

A MONUMENT FOR GOV. YATES

Representative Lyon in offering the bill before the assembly for an appropriation for \$25,000 for a monument to War Governor Richard Yates is fathering a measure which should receive hearty support. War Governor Yates served this state at a critical period in its history and the loyalty and strength he displayed in those trying times entitle him to special honors. The monument should have been erected long since.

THE LURKING FIRE DANGER.

The record of the past month very clearly emphasizes the need for betterment in equipment of the Jacksonville fire department. The record shows how fire danger varies from year to year. During all of 1916 the department was called on for only seventy five runs while in the first month of 1917 twenty eight runs were made. The state inspection bureau has twice called attention to the situation here and has pointed out the need for more up to date equipment. Now the record for one month in a very effective way gives point to the inspection bureau's suggestions.

FIGURING ON SOUL COSTS.

The cost of a soul varies in different cities, according to the figures published of the number of trail hitters and the remuneration obtained by Evangelist Sunday in his gospel campaigns. The statement is from the Chicago Post. In Boston souls averaged 80 cents each, but this is a low price compared with some other communities. Philadelphia souls cost \$1.25 each; Detroit souls \$1.60—twice the cost in Boston and Pittsburgh souls \$1.70. The highest cost was in Springfield, Ohio, where a grateful public contributed \$14,800 for 5,000 converts, or about \$2.96 each. These figures, of course, do not include the outlay for the expenses of the revival. They are based only on the final thank offering which is the evangelist's share.

A CITY MANAGER IN CHICAGO.

They are always engaged in political warfare in Chicago, so that the proposal to do away with the office of mayor and have a city manager will not result in making the contest for power and place any stronger than it is already. Alderman Merriam recently made the proposal to change the form of Chicago's government and it is very likely that the question will be put up to the people for their approval. The city manager plan has brought some favorable results in a number of cities but has never been tried out in a metropolis.

It can be said in advance that the success of the plan if adopted in Chicago would depend upon the man selected for manager, the same rule applying as with other forms of municipal government. You can have good municipal government in any city with any plan if you place the right men (or women) in control.

A CHANCE FOR MORGAN COUNTY

Did it ever occur to you that the only chance Morgan county has for securing a circuit judge is to break into the Democratic combination of Sangamon, Macoupin and Green now

in control of this judicial district? How strong this alliance is was indicated quite clearly here in Jacksonville a few weeks ago when the Democratic Morgan county central committee refused to endorse a local democrat for the judgeship.

True, Senator Smith, the Republican candidate for circuit judge, is a Sangamon county resident, but his election would break the combine which at present controls and can perpetuate itself. His election would open the way for Morgan county to secure recognition at some future date. Ask any Morgan county lawyer about the congested condition of the circuit court docket—the delays in court hearings—and he will tell you now how much Morgan county needs a resident judge.

SUFFRAGISTS IN BITTER WAR.

Suffragists are clashing at Springfield and thus far those who favor an effort to secure full suffrage now have won a victory. The senate committee has reported the suffrage bill favorably by a close vote. This by no means disheartens those suffragists who see danger in an effort to secure full rights now and they will use every influence at their command to keep the bill from passing. Those opposing the consideration of the bill at this time have some sound arguments in their support and they are wise in their willingness to let well enough alone. The paramount consideration with these women should be to cease their political warfare, for they will accomplish much more for themselves and much more for the state if they work in unison.

Furthermore if the present disunion continues they will justify the prophecies of those men who insist that women, if given suffrage rights, would soon be engaged in political warfare far more bitter than that common among male partisans.

WALL STREET AND DEMOCRACY.

The leak inquiry at Washington has taken a much more serious turn than at any previous time. President Wilson's brother-in-law, Mr. Bolling, testified a week ago that he had no connection whatever with the advance news of the president's note but telegraph files give proof that the firm had very accurate knowledge of what the note would say at least ten hours before its publication. The inquiry thru another turn has also placed Colonel House, personal adviser to the president, in a position which is at least embarrassing. It has been a popular thing with Democrats to rail at the moneyed interests and deprecate the influence which Wall Street has in the commercial and political life of the country. Now it is shown conclusively that Colonel House communicated with Barney Barnsco, one of the big Wall Street operators, to get his recommendation for a member of the federal reserve board. Possibly the Wall Street operator's suggestion was a good one but that fact will be lost sight of in thinking about the underground connection between the administration and Wall Street.

THE SUPER-CRISIS COMES

The United States has faced several crises during the great European war and now the situation has been clearly depicted as a "super-crisis." Germany has burned all bridges behind her and has declared unequivocally for unrestricted submarine warfare. This position is in clear contradiction to assurances previously given the United States. The declaration certainly means that the British blockade has been successful and that the empire is hard pressed for food. It means that the imperial government has prepared for a supreme drive, if such terms can be used referring to a submarine campaign. For months there have been suggestions that such a campaign would come and that the active preparations have been made is indicated by the announcement that nearly 300 submarines are ready for this service of destruction.

"No quarter" is the German order and the note sent to the United States might have been even bluffer without giving more cause for offense.

Reduced to its naked meaning the note means that Germany recognizes no international law. It means that Germany is ready to go to any limit to win this conflict. It means that the United States protests have been swept aside and that the people of this country had better keep out of the way if they don't want to be hurt.

It certainly looks as if the time for the severance of diplomatic relations with Germany had come and it looks, too, as if Germany fully expects this action. Doubtless it is with characteristic German foresight the emperor has made due preparation for that severance.

Rippling Rhymes By WALT MASON

'Twas Ever Thus

When I am well I josh the doc and say his pills are made of chalk, which never cured a human ache; that all his science is a fake. I roast him bitterly because he is too handy with his saw, and seem so anxious to remove one's backbone from its old time groove. But when my organs all go wrong, and I'm no longer hale and strong, and do double up with grievous pains, clear from my toe-locks to my brains, the doctor is my only hope: I clamor for his pills and dose. And if he thinks he saw and spade, and says he thinks he'll have to wade all thru my system with the same I say, "Go on, and hew my frame!" And when I'm lying on my bed, with poonties upon my head, I murmur softly to the nurse, "The good old doc no more I'll curse! His science kept me from the grave, and after this I will be have." But when I'm on my feet once more, I hang around the corner store, and say the doctor is a fake who couldn't shoe away an ache.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY

February 1, 1849—Galena & Chicago Union Railroad opened to Chicago.

MORTUARY

Probascio
Ruby Jane Probascio, daughter of Henry and Mary Probascio, died at the family home near Pisgah Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock of pneumonia. She was born May 31, 1916 and at the time of death was eight months and twenty-seven days old. She leaves besides her parents two sisters, Helen and Dona. Funeral services will be conducted from Sulphur Springs church today in charge of the Rev. J. E. Curry with burial in the nearby cemetery.

Rexroat
Death came to Mrs. J. M. Rexroat of Concord Wednesday morning at 8:30 o'clock terminating an illness of several months' duration. Mrs. Rexroat was 67 years old. Funeral arrangements have been delayed until definite word can be received from distant relatives.

Sarah E. Morrison was born Aug. 31, 1849, the daughter of John and Sarah Morrison and July 3, 1867 was married to J. M. Rexroat. She has spent her entire life in the Concord community.

In addition to the husband, there survive Mrs. Rexroat's mother, Mrs. Sarah Morrison, 55 years old; two sons, J. O. Rexroat of Arcadia and C. E. Rexroat of Concord; two daughters, Mrs. Frank Robbins of Youngstown, O., and Mrs. Cora Rexroat of Jacksonville; two brothers, T. L. Morrison of Concord and Charles M. Morrison, residing in Tacoma, Wash.; three sisters, Mrs. Mary Craig of Peculiar, Mo., Mrs. Marshall Smith and Miss Louise Morrison of Concord.

Mrs. Rexroat was a faithful and devoted wife and mother and the word of her death will be received with sorrow on the part of many. Mrs. Rexroat had for many years been a faithful member of Concord M. E. church.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Mrs. Cox Entertained

Mrs. J. G. Cox entertained the members of the Clark's Chapel social club at an all day meeting Wednesday. At noon a splendid dinner was served and the day was thoroughly enjoyed socially. The hostesses were assisted in entertaining by Mrs. J. E. Cox and Mrs. A. McDonald. During the afternoon some excellent music was furnished by Miss Florence Garvin. The guests were: Alesandras, Elmer, Nicholson, Dimmitt, Trotter, E. O. Cully, Frank Hunter, William Ledford, Sallie Hoagland, John Colwell, James Crouse, Misses Florence Garvin and Irene Cox.

Helping Class Meets

The Helping Class of Hebron M. E. Sunday school held an interesting meeting Wednesday afternoon at the home of Miss Ward. After a song "What a Friend We Have in Jesus," and prayer by Miss Anna Mae Wilson, a scripture reading was given by Mrs. Chester Wilson. Mrs. Charles Bealmer and Mrs. Albert Hopper sang a duet, "How to Make the Church Better" was the subject of a round table discussion.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Miss Anna Mae Wilson.

Musicians' Union

Seventy-five couples or more gathered at Deagan's hall Wednesday evening for the annual Musicians' ball. The dancing was continued until 1 o'clock to music by an orchestra of fifteen pieces under the leadership of J. H. Johnson, president of the union. There were twenty musicians present but the orchestral program was so arranged that five or six could be relieved now and then and allowed to take part themselves in the evening festivities. The event was successful in every way and the words of commendation were received by the members of Jacksonville local No. 128, American Federation of Musicians. The committee was composed of Adam Shugart, Jr., Earl White and Glenn Skinner. The musicians were Mrs. L. P. Randall, Miss Gladys Carroll, Miss Olive B. Smith, Robert Boyd, James Powers, Miss Minnie Holman, Miss Helen Sorells, Karl Hill, Dudley C. Hitt, Percy A. Jenkins, Wilbur Rogers, Wilbur Arnes, Earl White, George Harle, William Banks, Charles Shepard, Terence Brennan, Clarence Lingo, Leo S. Johnson, Glenn Skinner and Mr. Johnson. William Faust and Fred Puntst were in care of the check room.

Dance at Buckhorn

Jerry J. Flynn of Buckhorn gave a dance recently which was attended by one hundred and eleven people and which ranks as one of the biggest dances of the past five years in that community. Music was furnished by L. Culp and William Flynn.

CONVICT KILLED BY FALLING TREE

Fort Madison, Ia., Jan. 31.—Oscar Somers, a convict serving a life sentence for murder at Forest City, was killed on the prison farm today when a tree he was chopping down fell on him. One of his legs was twisted under his body in such a manner that an end of the shin bone penetrated his neck. Alfred Thomas, another convict, was injured when the tree fell.

NORWEGIAN STEAMER SUNK

London, Jan. 31.—Lloyd's reports the Norwegian Steamer Modiva sunk. The crew were landed two of the men being badly injured.

The British Steamer Clan Shaw struck a mine and went ashore on Jan. 23. Since then her back has been broken and she is a total wreck.

ATTENDING BIG SALE

C. M. Strawn of Alexander is one of the auctioneers serving this week at the 19th annual breeders' sale of horses at Bloomington. Tuesday was the first day of the sale and twenty nine horses were sold at a total of \$20,950. The sale will continue for a number of days.

AT DAIRYMEN'S CONVENTION

Jay Rodgers, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce will go to Danville this morning to attend the Illinois Dairymen's convention. Mr. Rodgers will endeavor to secure the convention for this city.

W. D. Henry of Woodson was a Jacksonville visitor Wednesday. Mrs. Zach Rexroat of Virginia was a visitor here yesterday.

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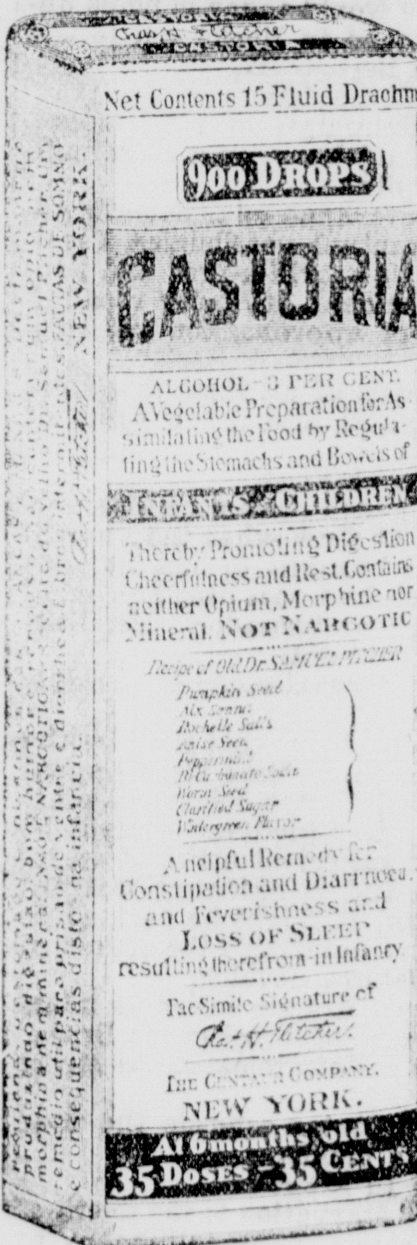
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WITH THE SICK

Miss Beulah Sickle of Griggsville is a patient at the Jacksonville hospital.

Miss Louise Bauman, a city hall stenographer, has been kept at home for several days by illness.

Clifford Wolter, residing on Hardin avenue is sick.

J. S. Hackett of the firm of Johnson, Hackett & Guthrie was kept at home yesterday by illness.

Squire John M. Coons who seemed better a short time since, has taken a relapse and is in a serious condition.

The venerable J. T. Neal of Murrayville rallied a little yesterday and may pull through though his age, 89 years, is against his recovery.

Miss Made Pritcher has returned to her home on South Main street from Our Savior's hospital, where she has been a patient.

Mrs. Thomas Worthington was considered Wednesday to be slightly improved. She gave signs of returning consciousness toward the middle of the day and in the evening seemed to maintain her strength.

LEAGUE SUGGESTS LAW CHANGE

At the meeting of the legislative committee of the Illinois Municipal league in Springfield several bills were approved which will be brought to the attention of the legislature. The list includes a bill to make the annexation of suburban villages and another regarding the erection of garages, livery stables and factories to the business district. Another bill proposed increases the tax levy from 12 to 20 mills on the \$100 valuation. The argument in favor of this measure is that the expense of cities have increased the same way that expenses of individuals have grown.

PERIN PHYSICIAN DIES

Dr. W. H. Allen, pioneer physician of Pekin, died at his home there Wednesday morning after an illness of several months. Dr. Allen was known to a number of Morgan county physicians.

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Bargains for This Week

Sugar Cured Bacon in Chunks 20c lb.

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CITY AND COUNTY

Leslie Leak helped represent Franklin in the city yesterday. Clifford James of Woodson was a visitor with city people yesterday. H. V. Haney of Arenzville was a visitor yesterday with city friends. George Wheeler of Sinclair was a caller yesterday on city friends. H. F. Lysall of Decatur was here yesterday on business. Dean Wilday of Bluffs is visiting friends in the city. Mrs. H. V. Strope of Decatur was a Wednesday visitor in the city.

John A. McKeen of Winchester visited friends in the city yesterday. John McCleary of Kookuk Iowa, is here for a few days on business. John O'Neil of Lincoln spent Wednesday in the city on business. C. H. Davis of Beardstown was a traveler to the city yesterday. Dr. D. S. Galey of Ashland made a business trip to the city yesterday. Mrs. John Henry of Woodson was enjoying a visit yesterday with city friends.

Miss Hazel Ashbaugh of Waverly was among the arrivals in the city yesterday. Mrs. F. P. Fox of Virginia was in the city yesterday calling on her son a patient at Passavant hospital. John Riddler of Franklin was a traveler to the city on business yesterday. Miss Lena Lonergan of Murrayville was a caller yesterday on city people.

Mrs. J. H. Fuller of Murrayville was a sojourner for a few hours in the city yesterday. Mrs. George Krowz of New Berlin was a visitor yesterday a few hours in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. John Connor of the north part of the county were shoppers with city merchants yesterday. Julius Myers of Springfield was in the city yesterday looking over mat-

ters in the Jacksonville branch of the Myers Brothers clothing houses.

John Baumaister of the vicinity of Shiloh was attending to matters in the city yesterday.

Newton Chapman of the vicinity of Merritt was among the callers in the city yesterday.

Frank E. Hembrough of the vicinity of Ebenezer was a visitor with city friends yesterday.

Mrs. Charles Mathews of the east part of the county was attending to some city shopping yesterday.

Mrs. Jefferson Stockton of Prentice was added to the list of transient guests in the city yesterday.

L. C. Neel of Arenzville was attracted to the city by business matters yesterday.

R. W. Reeve of the northwest part of the county was a city caller yesterday.

Mrs. Luella Henry of Woodson was among the various visitors in the city yesterday.

For fire and all other classes of insurance see Bancroft & King, 305 Ayers bank building.

J. A. McVey of Hamilton was a traveler to the city on business matters yesterday.

Grant McFarridge of Vienna, Ill., was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

Messrs. James G. Strawn and Ebenezer Spink made a business trip to New Berlin yesterday.

Solomon Towner of Modesto was attending to his interests in the city yesterday.

G. W. Lopp of Champaign was a visitor yesterday with some Jacksonville friends.

Miss Mollie Hood of Waverly was among callers on city friends yesterday.

J. H. Schrock of Mattoon was a traveler to the city on business matters yesterday.

S. D. Rotschild of Decatur was attracted to the city by business matters yesterday.

A. E. Wilson of Normal was a caller yesterday on several Jacksonville friends.

Russell Ogle of the vicinity of Grace Chapel was a visitor with city friends yesterday.

George Peck of Winchester was among the callers in the city yesterday.

Ormsby Dawson of the vicinity of Winchester was a caller yesterday on some of his city friends.

See M. C. Hook & Co. about that Fire Insurance.

Dan Keating went to Winchester yesterday to attend to various business matters.

John Martin of Litchberry was among those visiting the city yesterday.

Claude Thomas of the region of Winchester was a caller yesterday on city friends.

James Middleton of Chicago is spending a few days among former home people and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Dalton and baby were up to the city yesterday from Nortonville.

Rev. A. R. Richards of Hart's Prairie was attending to business matters in the city yesterday.

Benjamin Darley of Franklin was among the callers in the city yesterday.

W. T. Henry of Nortonville was a traveler to the city on business yesterday.

Fred Haran and family of the east part of the county were arrivals in the city yesterday.

Warren N. Luttrell of the Franklin Times made the city a visit yesterday.

Triplett's barber shop, New Pacific hotel, complies with all the rules and regulations of the Barbers' Union.

Miss Irene Devon of Litchberry was a shopper with some of the Jacksonville merchants yesterday.

John Stevenson of the Liberty road district was added to the list of city callers yesterday.

Deputy Sheriffs Andrews and Norris will go to Meredosia today in their work of tax collections.

The South Side Circle will meet with Mrs. E. L. Kinney, 197 South Prairie street Friday afternoon.

I. E. Rogard and John Wilson of Peoria were business visitors in the city yesterday.

William Nicol of Bloomington was transacting business in the city yesterday.

A. C. Morton of Decatur was attending to business matters in the city yesterday.

P. S. Wadlow of Pekin is spending a few days in the city on business.

Robert Gower of Peoria was attending to business in the city Wednesday.

J. W. Glasgow of Quincy was here Wednesday looking after business matters.

Paul Lonergan of the vicinity of Woodson was a business caller in the city yesterday.

Dr. J. M. Elder of Franklin was a Wednesday business visitor in the city.

Miss Martha Elgin of Litchberry was enjoying a visit with city people yesterday.

Walter Kitchen of Woodson was transacting business in the city a few hours yesterday.

Alexander Story of Murrayville precinct was a caller yesterday on city people.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Wilson of Murrayville were added to the list of city arrivals yesterday.

Charles Smith of the Point was a visitor a few hours in the city yesterday.

Henry Reese of Clemens station was transacting business in the city yesterday.

F. A. Gaines of Waverly was a visitor yesterday a few hours in the city.

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P. J. Crotty of Woodson was among the visitors in the city yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schmitt of Meredosia were added to the list of city shoppers yesterday.

Mrs. W. S. Dennis has returned to her home in Bowen after a visit of

several days with her niece Mrs. William Bishop east of the city.

Carl Spiegle of Decatur was in the city Wednesday transacting business and visiting friends.

F. E. Hynes of Sinclair was a business visitor in the city a few hours yesterday.

Miss Bernice Bartholow has gone to Chicago for a visit of a few days with friends.

E. E. Siddles of Chapin was a caller on some of his city friends yesterday.

Miss Catharine Thompson of Alexander was a visitor yesterday with city people.

Mrs. J. J. Haynes of Chandlerville was one of the arrivals in the city yesterday.

Mrs. A. M. Sinclair of Prentice was a caller yesterday on some city friends.

Mr. and Mrs. James Guinane of Chapin were travelers to the city yesterday.

Mrs. J. A. Long and baby have left Passavant hospital and are again at their home, 139 Diamond Court.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Visser of Alexander were among the shoppers with Jacksonville merchants yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Luly of Alton are here for a stay of a week during the great sale at the north side Rex-all drug store.

Len Redding of South Diamond street, an employee of the Wall-Fargo Express company, has returned from a few days vacation spent in Pittsfield with relatives and friends.

Mrs. Grover Shepherd and daughter Gertrude and son Herman of Centerville, South Dakota, are visiting Mrs. Shepherd's sister, Mrs. J. A. Walters of Park Place.

Miss P. P. Johnson is visiting friends for a time in the city and expects to return to Chicago shortly. She gives a good account of her two sons, Paul and Leo, who are in business in Chicago and prospering well, as they deserve. Father Edward Calhoun is busy as ever in his chosen calling and making a fine record.

For fire and all other classes of insurance see Bancroft & King, 305 Ayers bank building.

FARM NOTES

INSTITUTE PROGRAM WILL AROUSE MUCH INTEREST

Twenty-Second Annual Session of State Farmers' Institute and Department of Domestic Science to Have Strong Speakers on Profitable Themes.

The twenty-second annual State Farmers' Institute and Department of Household Science meeting, to be held in Streator, Ill., will rival other years in point of interest and variety of program chosen. At least one Morgan County Woman's Club has already appointed delegates to attend the household science meeting and it is probable that many from this county will attend the institute sessions, the program for which has just been received.

Following are some program topics: Why Illinois Produces Only Half a Crop—Hopkins.

Science Experiments in Improving Worn Soils—Roberts.

The Dairy Cow and Her Place on the Farm—Glover.

City Milk and the Public Health—Harding.

Crop Production—Mann, Rowe, Allen, Abbott, Deane, Brooks.

Available Wastes in Animal Production—Carmichael Wright.

Community Building—Zeublin, Dietz, Young, People's Session—Rankin, Gilbert, Greene, Holmes.

Good Roads—Bradt.

Manufacturer-Farmer Relations—Brantingham.

Banker-Farmer Relations—Crebs.

Bees and Honey—Dadant, Lawrence, Peabody and Caponizing—Gilbert.

Home and Community Nursing—Shamel, Fullmer.

Personal Hygiene—Brooks.

Textiles and Sewing—Davis.

Household Accounts—Harding.

The Why of the Cost of Food—Friedrick.

Playtime in the Rural Community.

The Farm Woman in Business—Main, Kelly, Fletcher, Easterly, Dunlap and Jones.

Making a Home—Jones.

Patterson Sale Successful

The sale of Irvin A. Patterson which was held at his farm about 7 miles northeast of the city proved most successful and good prices prevailing for everything. Jed Cox was the auctioneer and A. E. Williamson acted as clerk. The sale totaled about \$2,500.

Mr. Patterson has rented his land and will retire from active farming. However, he expects to still reside at his farm home.

Some of the prices and buyers are given: Edward Davis bought a bunch of steers at \$66 per head. Cows ranged in price from \$70 to \$90. Dan Moy paid \$26 a head for six sows and shoats brought \$12.50 per head. Horses sold from \$110 to \$175 per head and one mule brought \$150. Oats sold for fifty-six and one half to fifty-seven cents per bushel. Hay sold for \$12 per ton.

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MATRIMONIAL

Conlee-Bourland

Louis Palmer Conlee of this city and Miss Mary Ruth Bourland of Ullin, Pulaski county, Illinois, were married Wednesday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock by the Rev. M. L. Pontius at his residence on West College avenue. The ring service was used and the ceremony was witnessed by Miss Dora Conlee and Miss Myrtle E. Johnson.

The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Conlee, 1635 South Main street, and is employed in Widmayer's East State street meat market.

Mr. and Mrs. Conlee have begun housekeeping at 647 South West street, in a house already furnished by the groom. Mr. Conlee is well known in Jacksonville and has here many friends who will extend best wishes to him and to his bride.

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One lot of five last season's Coats that we sold from \$10.00 to \$15.00; these are priced now at \$4.48

CHILDREN'S COATS ALSO REDUCED
\$8.50 Coats now \$4.98
\$6.50 Coats now \$3.98
\$4.50 Coats now \$2.98

LADIES' WINTER DRESS SKIRTS AT \$3.48
We have a few Ladies' All Wool Dress Skirts, last season's models, former prices were \$5.00 to \$6.50—now reduced to \$3.48

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12½c Flannelette 10c
10c best Standard Calicos 8c
15c 36-inch Standard Percales, light and dark colors 13½c
15c Fine Shirting for men's shirts 13½c
65c for Ladies' Outing Petticoats.
65c for Ladies' Outing Flannel Gowns.
50c for Ladies' Union Suits.

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FUNERALS

Cox.

Funeral services for Mrs. A. W. Cox were held from the residence Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock in charge of Dr. J. W. Owens of Hersman. Music was furnished by Mr. and Mrs. George Beckman, Clyde Richardson and Miss Matilda Richardson. The flowers were cared for by Mrs. John Spaenower, Mrs. James Wood and Mrs. E. T. Samples. Burial was in Sulphur Springs cemetery the hearse being - J. Wood, Iven Wood, J. B. Beckman, E. T. Samples, J. E. Cully and Allen Conlee.

Scott.

Funeral services for Mrs. Edith Scott were held from Central Christian church Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in charge of the Rev. Myron L. Pontius. Hymns were sung by Miss Cora Graham, Miss Edith Carlson, T. H. Rapp and W. W. Gillham. The flowers were cared for by Mrs. Hubble, Mrs. Gomes, Mrs. H. C. Clement and Mrs. Beckman. Burial was in Jacksonville cemetery the hearse being H. C. Clement, Charles Ratachak, William Shibe, Charles Martin, Frank Ploner and C. B. Andre.

McGrath.

Funeral services for James W. McGrath were held from the Church of Our Savior Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock. Solemn requiem high mass was said with the Rev. Father Thomas McGrath of Vandalia as celebrant. The Rev. Father Knight of Greenville as deacon, the Rev. Father Corcoran of Stoughton as subdeacon, and the Rev. Father Lyons of Macon as master of ceremonies. The members of the Chismakers' Union and the Knights of Columbus of which the deceased was a member, attended the services in a body. The services were attended by a large number of relatives and friends, a number being present from out of the city. Those from away were: Mr. and Mrs. Lingerood, Mr. and Mrs. B. Graham, P. J. Ryan, Miss

Nellie Ryan, Bert Gleason, Miss Mammie Larkin, Tony Larkin, Miss Minnie Colbrook, Joseph Ebert, Matthew Graham and William Dyer of Stoughton, Mrs. John Carrigan, Miss Mary McGrath, Thomas McGrath, James McGrath, William McGrath, Michael McGrath and George McGrath of Murrayville.

Burial was in Calvary cemetery Wednesday. Sheriff Grant Graft has so far recovered from his recent illness that he was able to be at his office in the court house for a short time.

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RECALL GENERAL WOOD FOR CROSS EXAMINATION

Reiterates Guard System is
"Vicious and Indefensible"

Asserts Army Officers Are Not Disposed to Shirk Responsibility for War Department's Short Comings Terms Mobilization a Tragedy.

Washington, Jan. 31.—Major General Leonard Wood, recalled today for cross-examination by the senate universal training sub-committee said army officers were not disposed to shirk responsibility for the war department's shortcoming in its direction of the national guard mobilization at the border but reiterated that the guard system was in itself "vicious and indefensible," because of defects.

In response to questions by Senator Lea of Maryland, a defender of the national guard system, General Wood admitted that the federal government's supply plans for the state troops collapsed ten days after they were called out and that in certain respects mobilization of the regulars, like the guard, failed to come up to expectations.

General Wood repeated today his assertion that the mobilization was a tragedy but also declared he did not intend to criticize the officers and men of the guard.

"By supreme effort in six months time," he said, "we got 158,000 men to the border. The country could have been eaten up by an efficient enemy in that time."

Senator Lea pointed out that the regular army had played its part in the failures.

"Yes," said General Wood, "and I would go after the war department with a sandbag and re-organize it."

The greatest failure of the federal government General Wood said was the supply system. Great Britain had faced the same thing, he added, when the European war came and found it necessary to abandon her whole system and create a department of munitions.

"If the border trouble had gone to a real war," he said, "we would have had to shake the cob-webs out of the supply department and get some punch into it."

The men and officers of the guard are high-minded patriotic individuals, General Wood said, but not soldiers.

"It would have been murder to send them against any fairly efficient foe," he said.

Senator Lea led the discussion to the Swiss military system which he declared had solved the problem of dual control of the military forces by state and federal governments.

"Dual control is a rotten system in Switzerland, if it exists," General Wood said.

The national guard of the rank and file, General Wood said, were eager for the enactment of universal service legislation.

ELLIOTT STATE BANK.
Savings Deposits made during the first ten days of February will bear interest from the FIRST of the month.

**REQUEST WILLCOX
TO CALL MEETING**
Perkins and Colby Want Full and Open Discussion of Questions Which Confront Country.

New York, Jan. 31.—George W. Perkins and Everett Colby today formally requested William R. Willcox, chairman of the Republican national committee to call a meeting of the committee "to discuss fully and openly the grave and important questions that confront our country today."

"We are unwilling to believe," the communication stated "that the national committee will be shortsighted and reactionary if called together for a free and open conference on the affairs of the country. If the national committee after such a conference should decide that the Republican party shall remain reactionary this should be known at once so that other alignments can be immediately made and no time should be lost in preparing for the fight in 1920."

Mr. Perkins and Mr. Colby told Chairman Willcox that a majority of the men in control of the Republican executive committee are out of tune with modern thought.

These men evidently think," Mr. Willcox was informed, "the Progressives thru the action of their national committee in Chicago in June, deliberately abandoned the principles for which they had fought for four years and formally returned to the Republican party. They are entirely mistaken."

Mr. Willcox was assured that neither Mr. Perkins nor Mr. Colby desired to serve on a conference committee.

In the assortment of Ladies' Furs put on sale today by FRANK BYRNS can be found a wide range of most desirable styles, at prices that will not be duplicated.

THE CLUM LECTURES
John P. Clum, well known traveler, will give an illustrated lecture on "Alaska" at Central Christian Church this evening. He has made a trip to the far north and taken the pictures with which his talk will be illustrated. There is no admission charged for this lecture. Next Tuesday evening Mr. Clum will lecture on "Southern California."

**WHEN YOU HEAR THE
FIRE WHISTLE BLOW**
If it's your home you're too late. Call up C. H. Ward, Ill. phone 372 today for your insurance needs. See fire chief's report elsewhere.

Roy DeSilva has gone to Chicago to enjoy a week end visit with some city friends.

Text of German

Note To Lansing

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—Following is official text of German note addressed to Secretary Lansing: "Mr. Secretary of State: Will Gladly Co-operate."

"Your Excellency was good enough to transmit to the imperial government a copy of the message which the president of the United States of America addressed to the senate 22nd inst. The imperial government has given it the earnest consideration which the president's statements deserve, inspired as they are, by a deep sentiment of responsibility. It is highly gratifying to the imperial government to ascertain that the main tendencies of an important statement correspond largely to the desires and principles professed by Germany. These principles especially include self government and equality of rights for all nations. Germany would be sincerely glad if in recognition of this principle countries like Ireland and India, which do not enjoy the benefits of political independence, should now obtain their freedom. The German people also repudiate all alliances which serve to force the countries into a competition for might and to involve them in a net of selfish intrigues. On the other hand Germany will gladly co-operate in all efforts to prevent future wars. The freedom of the seas, being a preliminary condition of the free existence of nations and the peaceful intercourse between them, as well as the open door for the commerce of all nations, has always formed part of the leading principles of Germany's political program. All the more the imperial government regrets that the attitude of her enemies who are so entirely opposed to peace makes it impossible for the world at present to bring about the realization of these lofty ideals. Germany and her allies were ready to enter now into a discussion of peace and had set down as basis the guaranty of existence, honor and free development of their peoples. Their aims, as has been expressly stated in the note of Dec. 12, 1916, were not directed towards the destruction or annihilation of their enemies, and were according to their conviction perfectly compatible with the rights of other nations. As to Belgium, for which such warm and cordial sympathy is felt in the United States the chancellor had declared only a few weeks previously that its annexation had never formed part of Germany's intentions. The peace to be signed with Belgium was to provide for such conditions in that country, with which Germany desires to maintain friendly neighborly relations, that Belgium should not be used again by Germany's enemies for the purpose of instigating continuous hostile intrigues. Such precautionary measures are all the more necessary, as Germany's enemies have repeatedly stated not only in speeches delivered by their leading men but also in the statutes of the economical conferences in Paris, that it is their intention not to treat Germany as an equal, even after peace has been restored but to continue their hostile attitude and especially to wage a systematic economic war against her."

Attempt at Peace Fails
"The attempt of the four allied powers to bring about peace has failed owing to the last of conquest of their enemies, who desired to dictate the conditions of peace. Under the pretense of following the principle of nationality our enemies have disclosed their real aims in this way viz, to dismember and dishonor Germany, Austria-Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria. To the wish of reconciliation they oppose the will of destruction. They desire a right to the bitter end."

"A new situation has thus been created which forces Germany to new decisions. Since two years and a half England is using her naval power for a criminal attempt to force Germany into submission by starvation. In brutal contempt of international law a group of powers led by England does not only arrest the legitimate trade of their opponents but they also by ruthless pressure compel neutral countries either to altogether forego every trade not agreeable to the entente powers or to limit it according to their arbitrary decrees. The American government now of the steps taken to return to the ruler of international law and to respect the freedom of the seas. The English government, however, insists on continuing its war of starvation which does not at all affect the military power of its opponents but compels women and children, the sick and aged to suffer, for their country, pains and privations which endanger the vitality of the nation. The British tyranny mercilessly increases the sufferings of the world indifferent to the laws of humanity, indifferent to the protests of the neutrals whom they severely harm, indifferent even to the silent longing for peace among England's own allies. Each day of the terrible struggle causes new destruction, new sufferings. Each day shortening the war will on both sides, preserve the life of thousands of brave soldiers and be a benefit to mankind."

Compelled to Continue Fight
"The imperial government could not justly before its own conscience, before the German people and before history the neglect of any means destined to bring about the end of the war. Like the president of the United States the imperial government had hoped to reach this goal by negotiations. After the attempts to come to an understanding with the entente powers have been answered by the latter with the announcement of an intensified continuation of the war, the imperial government—in order to serve the welfare of mankind in a higher sense and not to wrong its own people, is now compelled to continue the fight for existence, again forced upon it with the full employment of all the weapons which are at its disposal."

Sincerely trusting that the people and government of the United States will understand the motives for this decision and its necessity the imperial government hopes that the United States may view the new situation from the lofty heights of impartiality and assist on their part to prevent further misery and avoidable sacrifices of human life."

Enclosing two memoranda regarding the detail of the contemplated military measures at sea, etc. I remain,
"J. Bernstorff"

ONE POUND OF COFFEE FOR A NICKEL

Sounds good, doesn't it? It is good, too. Try it, on our positive guarantee.

1 Pound 30c
2 for 35c

Thus you get "One Pound for a Nickel." Only one sale to a person. Try our new "Inspiration" Coffee. It's a bona fide value. Schrag-Cully Coffee Co. 212 West State Street.

WILL VISIT IN SOUTH

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ewen of Alexander expected to leave last night for a three week's visit thru the south. Mr. Ewen owns a butcher shop at Alexander and during his leave of absence the butcher shop will be under the management of his son J. Roy Ewen. Mr. and Mrs. Ewen expect to go first to Rosell, Kentucky, where they will visit Mr. Ewen's sister and husband Mr. and Mrs. Wingat Anderson, then to Montgomery county where they will visit relatives and friends. Upon returning they will visit at Dayton, Ohio, at the home of his sister Mrs. Sarah Roberts and also at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Lehr at Hamilton, Ohio.

See M. C. Hook & Co. about that Fire Insurance.

Mrs. J. E. Thompson of Murrayville was a shopper with Jacksonville merchants yesterday.

MAX BLOOM IS COMING BACK

Max Bloom in the 1917 version of the "Sunny Side of Broadway" comes to the grand today. This is the tenth successful year that Max has played this famous play, six consecutive seasons as a tabloid musical comedy. Each year the show has improved with age. This season it is undoubtedly the biggest show this tabloid has ever played in. Everything is absolutely new, the songs, musically, scenery, etc. but of course these reminders Max himself and Bucky his horse. Get your seats early today.

NEW BLACKSMITH SHOP

Jacksonville Horse Shoeing and Blacksmith Shop is now open. 220 North East St., opp. Jefferson school. Horseshoeing at reduced prices.
John C. Brodie, Manager.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to the many friends and neighbors for their kindness shown us during the illness and death of our little girl Pauline also for the many beautiful flowers.
Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Frye.

NOTICE

I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by my wife after this date.
F. C. Titch, Chapin, Ill.

NOTICE

All our shoe repairing is guaranteed. It is done right when we do it. We call for and deliver. Give us a call.

SHADID'S
Shoe Repairing and Shining Parlor
Illinois Phone 1351, Bell Phone 135
206 East State Street

BISMARCK CAFE

H. Maringa, Vincent R. Riley Proprietors

MERCHANT'S LUNCH
25 CENTS

Waffles at any time 10 Cents

Serve a la carte

-THE-

DREXEL BARBER SHOP

Morrison Bldg., West State St.

Strictly High Class
Sanitary Service
Offered

Four competent workmen are always available and customers are assured

"Quick and Careful"
Attention

with all possible courtesy.

VOL SEVIER

Proprietor

WHAT ABOUT YOUR FLOORS?

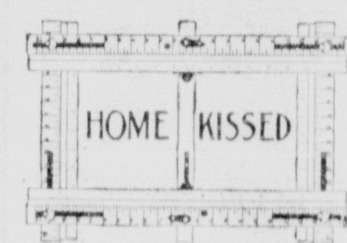
ARE YOU NEEDING RUGS, LINOLEUMS OR CARPETS?

We are showing a complete line of CONGOLEUM RUGS, dainty designs, water-proof, durable and sanitary—for any room in the house. Our display of

ROYAL WILTONS, VELVETS, AXMINSTERS, BODY BRUSSELS and TAPESTRY RUGS

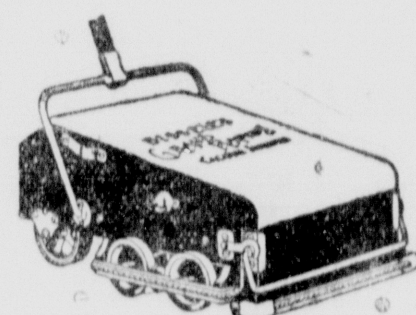
was never so complete as now. We're actually selling rugs at less than mill prices. Buy early before we advance prices as we soon will have to do. Every day is a special sale day.

Extra values in Lace Curtains and Draperies to Clean up the stock.



Stationary Pin
\$1.25

Movable Pin
\$1.75



Hand Vacuum Cleaners
\$3.50 to \$7.50

Brenlin
the new Window Shade Material that won't crack, won't wrinkle

Shades for Best Service.

All Sizes.

Jewell Electric Vacuum Cleaners, \$25.00

Johnson, Hackett & Guthrie

HILLERBY'S DRY GOODS STORE

3 Days More of Our Before Inventory Sale

Many Lots of Goods Not Advertised. Quantities Too Small—But They are Bargains.

Special prices on Hand Bags.

New black and white silk stripes and checks, 27 inches wide \$1.25 per yard.

R. & G. CORSETS

—the best fitting—a style to suit every shape, front and back lacing. Prices \$1.00 to \$5.00. A comfortable Corset.

NEW GOODS ARE COMING IN

A lot of the genuine Anderson's Scotch Zephyr Ginghams are promised this week. Closing out Skating Sets, Sweaters and all winter goods.

DOUBLE GREEN TRADING STAMPS

every day until noon—so come down in the morning and fill your stamp books.

SAFEST PLACE TO TRADE

Our Best Advertise- ment

Thoroughly satisfied customers are our best advertisement. It is the rule at our store every day in the year to see that every customer is absolutely satisfied. To do this we must be perfectly sure as to the high quality of all the goods we sell.

We invite your patronage and ask you to test our service by at least making a trial purchase. No matter how trivial it may be we assure you of satisfaction.

Armstrong's Drug Stores

QUALITY STORES
S. W. Cor. Sq. 235 E. State St.
Jacksonville, Ill.



C. M. STRAWN Auctioneer and Livestock Breeder

Special attention given to planning and crying sales in any locality.

Satisfied customers my best recommendation.

CHARLES M. STRAWN
Office and Barns
Alexander, Ill.
Both Phones

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for road commissioner in Road District No. 8. Election April 3rd.

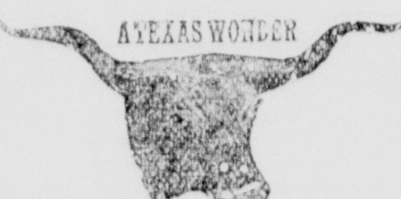
Clifton Corington.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for Road Commissioner District No. 8 for a full term.

Henry Ruble.
I hereby announce myself a candidate for road commissioner, for District No. 8.

Lloyd Magill.

DESK CHANGE AT DOUGLAS

Miss Anna Lakin, who has been serving as day clerk at the Douglas hotel for some time has resigned her position and will go to St. Louis. After visiting friends there, Miss Lakin expects to take a position. The position at the Douglas will be filled by Miss Veda Colby of West College Street.



TEXAS WONDER
THE Texas Wonder cures kidney and bladder troubles, dissolves gravel, cures diabetes, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in men and women. If not sold by your druggist, will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle in two months' treatment and seldom fails to be "cured." Send for testimonials from 25 and other States. Dr. L. S. Hall, 225 Olive Street, St. Louis, Mo. Sold by druggists—Adv.

Why Not

Burn Hard Coal

The price for furnace sizes is \$9.25 per ton, just 50 cents per ton higher than last year. At this price it is cheaper than soft coal now.

SPRINGFIELD COAL
Lump—Per Ton \$5.25

Mine Run—Per Ton \$4.75

CARTERVILLE
Lump—Per Ton \$5.75

Walton & Co.

Phones 44

**Automobile
and
Carriage
Painting**
WALTER HELLENTAL
Cherry Annex Building
Phones 850

**AN ECONOMY
SUGGESTION**
Give last winter's hat more wear. We make old hats look like new.
JOHN CARL
Jacksonville Shining Parlor
North Side Square

Made For Service
CAYWOOD SIGNS
Ill. Phone
Opera House Block

Hoppers Ready to Aid You In Meeting the Increased Cost of Footwear

—We believe we are serving your interests best by urging you to buy all the shoes you will need for at least a year.

—With the steady advance of the cost of materials entering into the construction of shoes, the situation is becoming more critical each week.

—You will need shoes and they will certainly cost you a whole lot more than they do now. If you are careful and look ahead it will be a money saver for you to buy shoes now.

WE REPAIR SHOES

NEW TOWN CLOCK WILL BE CREDIT TO WINCHESTER

Many Have Contributed to Thirteen Hundred Dollar Fund for the Municipal Improvement — Other News Notes

Winchester, Ill., Jan. 31.—With but a small sum yet to be collected and all arrangements with the Seth Thomas company practically complete, Winchester will soon be ready to erect a new town clock. The project, initiated in February of last year, has been the subject of much discussion. The municipal club gave a concert, young people of the city have given many plays and the seniors of the high school gave all the proceeds of one play towards the fund. A number have given afternoon teas as town clock benefits. Public comedians gave the receipts of their theatrical and evening entertainments. The fourth of July committee gave their surplus receipts and the I. O. O. F. lodge has been among those generously contributing. Many private citizens and former citizens have added to the fund. It was thought at first that eight hundred dollars would be sufficient for the purchase and installation of the clock, but a short time ago it was discovered that five hundred dollars more would be required. Mrs. David Frankfort, who has made every effort to carry the undertaking to a successful completion, started out to raise this extra amount in less than a week and has almost finished her task. Winchester citizens will not be slow to congratulate her upon her successful work.

The clock will be of the most modern pattern and will be electrically illuminated. It will strike both the hours and the half hours. It will be placed in the rear of the house and there will remain a useful monument to the enterprise of many a Winchester citizen and to the public spirit of the town.

Personal Mention
Mrs. Dora Walker and son, Raymond, were visitors in Jacksonville Tuesday. Mrs. George Baxter of Abey was a Winchester visitor Wednesday.

Charles Cooper was the purchaser of the Melvin Murray property instead of George Cooper as before announced.

Mrs. George Wheeler and son of Springfield are visiting the week with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Peak, parents of Mrs. Wheeler.

Mr. and Mrs. Orie Hamilton were visitors in Jacksonville Wednesday.

The passenger train for the south was three hours late Wednesday afternoon. This is the first time that there has been serious delay in the C. B. and Q. schedule recently.

Will Give Play
Pupils of the high school are preparing to give a play and have selected Friday evening, Feb. 3, as the date of the performance. The play will be a four act comedy entitled "Quality Street."

Ladies can find a becoming set of furs at reasonable prices at FRANK BYRN'S Hat Store. Call today.

ALEXANDER
Mrs. Edna Kalk of Paris is here for a visit of several days with Miss Althea Hall.

Ray Bunker of Chicago is a guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Bunker. Mr. Bunker was a position in the United States aviation corps and has been quite successful in his chosen work.

Mr. Ernest Brown spent Wednesday in Jacksonville.

J. W. Reif left Wednesday evening for Chicago to attend the annual show of George Wacker and George Roth.

Mr. C. M. Strawn, who won the first of two weeks and who went to Victory, Tuesday to try a sale, has returned to Bloomington.

C. N. Prior of Jacksonville was a visitor here Wednesday.

C. H. Burtch has gone to Springfield for a business visit of several days.

JANUARY REPORT SHOWS MANY CLEAR DAYS
Temperature of Month was 2.1 Degrees Above Normal, Snow Fall was Very Light and Total Precipitation Small.

The mean temperature for January was 2.1 degrees below the normal, according to the report of J. H. Hall, cooperative weather observer at Alexander. The mean maximum was 19.9 degrees and the mean minimum was 19.9. On two days the temperature was 4 degrees below normal, Jan. 21 and 29.

The snowfall for the month was very light, but of melted snow being reported, the heaviest fall in January for seventeen years.

The total precipitation for the month was 1.5 inches, which is 9 inch fall on the 31st. The amount was 1.7 inches below the normal. There were eleven clear days in January, 15 partly cloudy and 5 cloudy.

BRITISH STEAMER ARTIST TORPEDOED
LONDON, Jan. 31.—The British steamer, Artist, a vessel of 3,570 tons gross, was torpedoed on Saturday last. Sixteen men were picked up three days later in an open boat far from land by the steamer, Luchana, and in weather of such severity that seven of the original twenty-three in the boat had died of wounds and exposure.

A British official statement describing the loss of the vessel says in part:

"The crew, then, were forced to abandon their ship in open boats in a mid-winter gale, utterly without means of reaching land or succor. Those of them who perished during those three days of bitter exposure were murdered and to pretend that anything was done to insure their safety would be hypocrisy."

"The pledge given by Germany to the United States not to sink merchant ships without insuring the safety of passengers and crews has been broken before, but never in circumstances of more cold-blooded brutality."

METHODISTS MEET TODAY
Peoria, Ill., Jan. 29.—The Methodist clergy and laymen from Minonk, Griggley, Chenoa, Normal, Hudson, Weston, Lexington, Benson, Kankakee, Shiloh and El Paso will convene at El Paso tomorrow.

Addresses will be delivered by John H. Ryan of Kankakee, John T. Jones of Rock Island, T. E. Newland of Peoria and C. N. Smith of Galesburg. All are district superintendents.

HOGS MOUNT TO \$11.30
Peoria, Ill., Jan. 31.—Hog prices mounted to \$11.30 today at the Peoria stock yards when H. and G. Galbraith of Toulon, Ill., received a check for \$2,634.94 for a shipment of 78 hogs.

WELL KNOWN FIRM HAS BECOME A CORPORATION

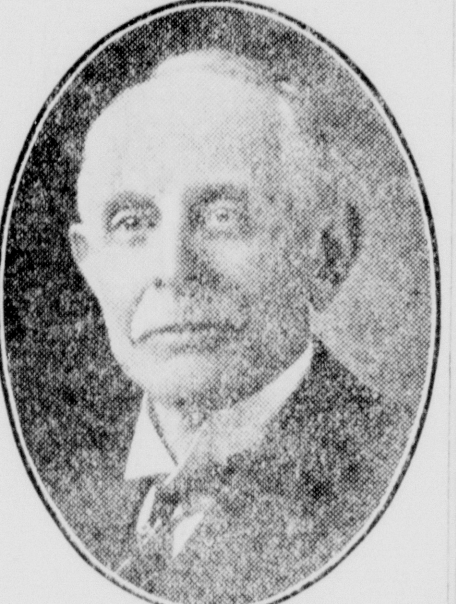
NAME OF PHELPS & OSBORNE STORE IS THUS CHANGED

C. C. Phelps Dry Goods Company is the New Name—Employees become Stockholders—Business Has Been Conducted Successfully for Thirty Six Years

Announcement has just been made of a change in the name of one of Jacksonville's best known business houses. The Phelps & Osborne dry goods store has become the C. C. Phelps Dry Goods Co., a corporation. The directors of the company organized by the election of C. C. Phelps as president, E. F. Grassly vice president and Miss Fannie Hicks secretary and treasurer.

It was back in 1881 that the Phelps & Osborne store was opened in a building on the east side of the square, now occupied by the J. A. Long pharmacy. Two years later the firm changed to the present location. The store building at that time was not nearly so large as it is present and in 1893 an extension was built. The business continued to grow and develop and in 1903 Samuel D. Osborne, who was a partner with Mr. Phelps, died.

Extensive Remodeling
Shortly afterward Mr. Phelps acquired the interest of his deceased partner but continued the firm name.

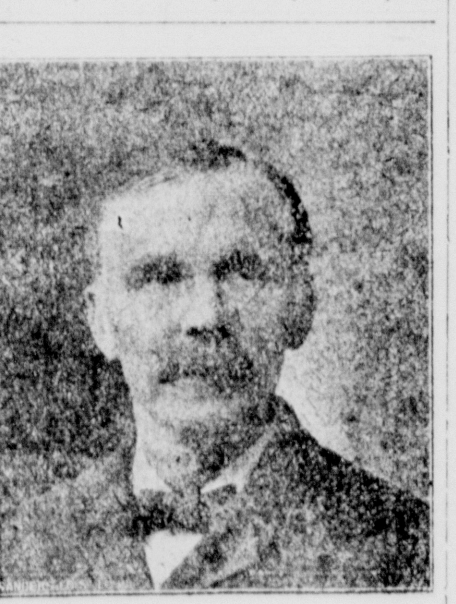


C. C. PHELPS
President of C. C. Phelps Dry Goods Company

all thru the years, partially as a matter of respect to the memory of Mr. Osborne. The same year Mr. Phelps out thru an extensive remodeling plan, making the store modern in every way and greatly increasing the floor space. In addition to the three floors of the main building, which is 189 feet long, the upper rooms of the store building adjoining were added and the space thus afforded was none too large for the very extensive stocks that the Phelps & Osborne house has continued to carry.

Thirty six years in business is an unusual record and the success recorded has been built upon the principle of giving the public honest value. Year after year liberal patronage has been extended to Phelps & Osborne and the public has constantly had the proof of the reliability of this house. Every customer has been accorded uniform courtesy and has had the positive knowledge that all goods purchased from the firm would be exactly as represented.

In such a business it is necessary not only to have quantity and quality



J. T. OSBORNE
Veteran Dry Goods Salesman

ity but also to keep the stocks up to the time in the matter of styles. In this very important principle, Phelps & Osborne store has excelled, and it is for these reasons that year after year has added to the success of the store and widened the trade territory served.

Incorporation Long Contemplated
Mr. Phelps stated yesterday that he had contemplated for some time incorporating the firm and permitting long time employees to share in the ownership. For a very long period he has of necessity carried the greater part of the responsibility and the new plan of organization will permit of his dividing this responsibility to some extent.

"The public will be interested in knowing that J. T. Osborne, who has been all thru the history of the store, identified with it, will remain in the position that he has filled so long and acceptably. Mr. Osborne has been in the mercantile business in Jacksonville for almost fifty years. It was fifty one years ago next April that he began work in the store of D. R. Fitch. Subsequently he was in the grocery business on his own account and then entered the store of Duffee & Son at the southeast corner of the square. Still later he was an employ of J. G. & Co. and James T. King Trade Police on the east side of the square. In 1882 he became attached to the store of Phelps & Osborne and has been there continuously, a valued member of the sales organization."

Ernest Grassly, who has the office

SHIRTS

In our East window are now displayed a showing of shirts priced very economically at

60c

All Fast Colors

See the display in our East Window

MYERS
BROTHERS.

C. C. Phelps
Dry Goods Company
—Successors To—
Phelps & Osborne

One Week's Sale
—of—
Left Overs and Remnants

After inventory finds us with a lot of Left-Overs and Remnants in all departments that must be closed out to make room for New Spring Merchandise that is arriving daily.

SECOND FLOOR LEFT-OVERS

Women's Suits, Coats, Skirts and Waists
Children's and Misses' Coats
All Go at Half Price

MAIN FLOOR

75 pairs voile and marquisette Curtains in cream and ecru
Especially Priced for This Sale

SPECIAL PRICES

on Short Ends and Remnants—White Goods, Curtain Voiles and Marquisettes, Linens, Muslins, Sheetings Colonial Draperies, Silks, Wool Dress Goods, Gingham, Percales, Laces, Ribbons, Embroideries, Skating Sets, Auto Scarfs, in fact every Remnant and Left-Over in the house is very specially priced for this sale.

BASEMENT SHORT ENDS

Muslins, Calicoes, Gingham, Outings
Under Priced for This Sale

NEW MERCHANDISE

We are pleased to announce the early receipts of New Merchandise for the early buyers—New Suits, Silks and Wool Dress Goods; Women's, Children's and Misses' House and Wash Dresses; Ladies' Silk and Wool Dresses, Ladies' Waists, White Goods of all kinds, Vail Goods, Tissues, French Gingham, Percales, Voiles, etc., and a fine line of Ladies' Neck Wear.

SEE OUR NEW GOODS AND NOTE THE REASONABLE PRICES

TEACHERS AGREED ON PROPOSED BILLS

Advocates Vocational Training and Terms Longer Than One Year for Teachers, Principals and Superintendents.

Drafts for bills covering all the legislation recommended at the state teachers' convention in December, were approved yesterday at a meeting in Springfield of eight members of the Illinois Teachers' legislative committee. Hugh S. Macmill, superintendent of the Springfield schools and who is chairman of the committee, prepared the drafts for the bills.

Among the proposed bills are bills for vocational education, providing for the election of teachers, principals and superintendents for terms longer than one year; fixing the duties of superintendents, permitting school boards to use their revenue for educational or building purposes as they may see fit; providing free text books for school districts choosing to accept them; authorizing school boards to open vocational, night and open air schools; providing for play ground equipment for recreational centers to be purchased with school funds, and amending the child labor law.

In addition to these bills there will be offered to the legislature substitutes for the high school tuition bill and the township high school bill, both of which were declared unconstitutional by a decision of the supreme court.

Jacksonville lodge, No. 570 A. F. & A. M., will hold a stated meeting this evening at 7:30. Visiting brethren welcome. C. S. Richards, W. M. E. L. Kinney, Sec'y.

GOOD WORK WITH THE ROAD DRAG

J. O. Parker and Carl May of Lynnville did some fine work Wednesday afternoon dragging the road from Lynnville clear thru to the Mound. Persons who traveled over the road afterward stated last night it was in very fine condition. Samuel Angelo, who is a commissioner of road district No. 6, has furnished drags to a number of farmers along the Mound road and he expressed hope last night that further drags would be done immediately so that the road from Lynnville to Jacksonville will be in good condition if a period of real winter weather comes.

ELLIOTT STATE BANK.

Saving Deposits made during the first ten days of February will bear interest from the FIRST of the month.

SPECIAL NOTICE

With an unprecedented record of fires the past month, a small supply of water, inadequate fire fighting equipment and with a possible advance in rates, would it not be wise to call up Illinois phone 372 and increase your insurance. We give you the lowest rates, prompt settlements aid, with our thirty years' experience, correctly written policies.

WARD'S INSURANCE AGENCY.

Wanted—Six girls to do hand sewing and finishing in clothing factory—steady work and good wages. Apply at the office of J. Capps & Sons, Ltd.

NORTHMINSTER LADIES' AID.

The Ladies' Aid Society of Northminster Presbyterian church will meet in the church parlors at 2:30 p. m., today.

For fire and all other classes of insurance see Bancroft & King, 305 Ayers bank building.

HIGH SCHOOL TO ENTER NEW FORM OF CONTEST

Extensive Speaking Will Be Added to Subjects in Which Students Will Compete—Contest Dates are Fixed.

A contest in extensive speaking will be among the events of interest scheduled for the early spring at Jacksonville high school. The winner in this contest will be eligible for entry into a state contest. For several years extensive speaking has been promoted by the state university and it has been met with pleasure that local students will have opportunity to receive their voices in this practical phase of public speaking. By this method, the contest will be given a definite list of subjects upon which he is to prepare. Five minutes before he goes to the platform one of the subjects is assigned. In this five minutes he will be required to review the outline already prepared and to marshal facts and arguments for his address.

Training in the extensive speaking method has been recommended by well known authorities. Ability to speak logically on a topic of public interest, with or without notes or with a skeleton outline only, is much to be desired.

On March 2 will be held the extensive speaking contest in declamation. The contest will take place at 2:30 o'clock in the J. H. S. auditorium with these contests appearing from Kappa Gamma and Zeta Phi Beta societies. Each contestant will be limited to twenty minutes.

The extemporaneous speaking contest will be held March 22. The orators will be allowed twenty minutes and the extemporaneous speaks 15 minutes.

After necessary exercises have been paid the receipts from these contests will be divided among the societies.

Dr. McCarty Speaks.
Students of the High School listened to an able address Wednesday morning by the Rev. F. A. McCarty, whose subject, "The Drouder Vision," was held in highly interesting manner.

Watch tomorrow's Journal for announcement of special values for Saturday, the final day of the Red Tag sale.

Harmon's Dry Goods Store.

FORECAST SEVERE AND PROLONGED COLD WAVE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—A severe and prolonged cold wave in nearly all districts east of the Rocky Mountains was forecast today by the weather bureau. It is following a storm of marked intensity central this morning over Missouri and moving rapidly eastward. The cold will reach the middlewest and southwest tonight and Thursday and the eastern and southern states by Thursday night and Friday.

The cold already has overspread the plains states and the Rocky Mountain and western plateau regions. Havre, Mont., reported 34 degrees below zero this morning; Helena 26 below; Yellowstone Park, 12 below; Rapid City, S. D., 29 below; Valentine, Neb., 18 below; and Moorehead, Minn., 16 below.

BLIZZARD WORST SINCE 1898

Salt Lake City, Jan. 31.—The blizzard in Soldiers Summit in the worst since the fifteen day blizzard in 1898 when trains were held up in 50 foot drifts. The Denver & Rio Grande road has more than 100 men and two rotary snow plows working in an attempt to keep the tracks clear.

GALENA MAN ELECTROCUTED

Galeña, Ill., Jan. 31.—James R. Youndt, employed in an electric plant here, was accidentally electrocuted today. He was the son of Rev. S. J. Youndt, pastor of Grace Episcopal church.

PROMOTES NAVAL OFFICERS

Washington, Jan. 31.—President Wilson today nominated the following captains in the navy to be rear admirals:

Harry McL. P. Huse, Robert S. Griffin, George W. Burd, James H. Oliver, John Hood and William C. Sims.

CAR GOES THRU BRIDGE

Pittsburgh, Jan. 31.—A crowded street car went through a bridge on the Ohio river near here today. Seven passengers were injured.

"My Friends in Khaki"

"There are loads of them scattered all along the border—boys that I know ever and ever so well.

"Some of them had written me that to see the 'Golden State Limited' go by was one of their big daily events.

"And so I found it.

"You surely ought to tell everyone going to California this year to go one way at least on the

"Golden State Limited" and see the boys in khaki."

Another splendidly equipped train over the Golden State Route is the

"Californian"

It reflects the high-class service of the "Golden State Limited." Both trains via the direct line of lowest altitudes—the most comfortable and interesting route to Southern California.

Daily from St. Louis and Kansas City to Los Angeles—no extra fare.

Tickets, reservations and California literature on request.



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307 N. Broadway
St. Louis, Mo.

Rock Island—El Paso—Southwestern—Southern Pacific

OLD JACKSONVILLE

A Historical House.

By Ensley Moore

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The house first west of Grace M. E. church on West State street, has more interesting history than some might imagine. To begin with, the lot has been the property of several well known or prominent people.

Thomas Arnett, one of the layers out of the original town of Jacksonville, sold it (or rather land including it) to Dr. Ero Chandler, et al., May 13, 1826. Dr. Chandler (who gave the block for the site of the Jacksonville Female Academy) laid off a large addition to the town, this and became legally "a part of lot 28, block 8, Chandler's addition."

James Dunlap, the Colonel, et al., was an owner of it at an early day. Enoch M. Rice got it from James Dunlap, et al., June 22, 1837.

Rice sold it to Shelton Fogus, May 7, 1838 and Fogus let Thomas T. January have the ground Aug. 6, 1838.

Who Mr. Fogus was deponent saith not, but T. T. January was a leading man here, where he and Col. Dunlap contracted to build the Northern Cross Railroad from Mercedosa to Springfield. Later on Mr. January went to St. Louis, where he became one of the foremost citizens before the war. Col. Dunlap, builder of the "Dunlap House" needs little introduction to any one acquainted with the history of Jacksonville.

Moore C. Goltra, Mr. Goltra got the place next, Sept. 11, 1839, from Thomas T. January, for \$650. And then there was something doing, for Mr. Goltra was a builder. He put up the house—

Mrs. Hardin afterwards married the Rev. Porter Clay, a brother of the great Henry Clay of Kentucky, and he and his wife at first lived in what is now known as part of the Sanders place. The old settlers called it "the Porter Clay place."

Mrs. Clay probably died in the house of which this article is the subject, having lived there several years.

Michael Sanderson, It is not recalled just who took the Clay home after its owner's death, but Michael Sanderson had his home there, with his sister, Mrs. Graves, during a part of the war times. He was then principal of the West District school, having succeeded Judge Edward P. Kirby, when Judge Kirby began the practice of law. Mr. Sanderson was one of the finest and brightest young men ever graduated from Illinois College. He walked the earth like a nobleman. He was translated to a higher sphere soon after.

The Barnes', The Rev. Wm. Barnes, D. D., father of the Hon. Wm. Henry, Lieutenant N. Hale, and Judge Charles A. Barnes, got the house soon after Mr. Sanderson's death, and it has been in the possession of the Barnes family ever since till its recent sale in closing up Mrs. Barnes' estate.

As is well known Judge Wm. H. Barnes lived for some years, before going to Arizona, in the Charles Hardin house, now removed, and so the Barnes family has been long connected with this immediate location. There the first Mrs. Barnes,



The Goltra-Glover-Barnes House
(Photo by C. W. Taylor)

a view of which is given herewith—pretty much as it is today.

It was during Mr. Goltra's ownership that the house had its most important and valuable use, for then the First Baptist church society of Jacksonville was organized, June 1, 1841; Rev. Alvin Bailey being pastor for the first six years thereafter.

Mr. Goltra was long a prominent man here, and in connection with the State Agricultural Society. He was the father of Mrs. C. H. Russell and of Edward F. Goltra, now of St. Louis.

The Rev. L. M. Glover, Mr. Goltra sold his house and lot to the Rev. Livingston M. Glover, Oct. 25, 1849, for \$1650. This shows that high cost was not a feature of those days. Mr. Goltra then moved out on West State street to the house now occupied by Mrs. L. K. Hatch, in the city addition.

It need scarcely be said that Dr. Glover was pastor of the First Presbyterian church from 1845 to 1850. He was, during those years, one of the best known men in Jacksonville. His son, John A. Glover, now prominent in the life of Urbana, Ill., was probably born in that house.

Dr. Glover sold the place, Sept. 19, 1854, to Wm. G. Heslep, et al., for \$2,000.

Heslep to Hardin, The Heslep ownership passed, December 13, 1855, to Charles Hardin. The Heslep family were early settlers here, and people of position and influence. Altho that name is gone, some of their descendants are still here.

Charles Hardin was a very popular and pleasant man, who lived for years in the house which stood next east of the one now being considered, until the present Grace Church was erected, when the Hardin house was moved away.

Charles Hardin was a brother of Col. John J. Hardin, a hero of the Mexican war, in which he was killed at Buena Vista, February, 1847. Charles Hardin was some politician himself having come from Kentucky, and he was elected and re-elected as circuit clerk of Morgan county, dying in that position during the Civil war.

Mrs. Porter Clay, Charles Hardin sold the Goltra-Glover house, Jan. 8, 1856, to Elizabeth Clay.

Mrs. Clay was one of the ablest and most noted women who have made their home in this place. She was the mother of Dr. Charles and Col. John J. Hardin, by their father, Gen. Martin Hardin, of Kentucky. After Gen. Hardin's death his wife and boys came here to live, and the sons had their last residence here.

mother of the minister's children, died, and there Minnie Barnes became Mrs. M. V. B. Elson, of Newport, Ill.

Mrs. S. E. F. Barnes, The Rev. Wm. Barnes married again, this time with Mrs. Susan Elizabeth Fry, one time of Muscatine, Iowa, but before her marriage Mrs. Fry had been Miss Sewall of Jacksonville. Mr. Barnes and Mrs. Fry were married Aug. 1, 1878.

Dr. Barnes passed on May 1, 1890, and his wife continued to make her home in the old home until her days on earth were ended, May 23, 1915.

To the older people here, Mrs. Barnes was known as Susan Sewall, her family having been highly respected here. She was born in Clarksburg, W. Va., July 30, 1829. Her family drove across the country to Illinois and to Jacksonville in the fall of 1829. Her father, Wm. Sewall, became the second teacher in Jacksonville. He organized with others, the first Sabbath school in Cass county, July 19, 1830. Mrs. Barnes was baptised by the Rev. John M. Ellis, first pastor of the First Presbyterian church here.

Mrs. Barnes was graduated from Jacksonville Female Academy in 1851, and was for some time before her death, the oldest graduate from that school. She was a charter member of James Caldwell Chapter of the D. A. R., and a member of State Street Presbyterian church. Mrs. Barnes was much interested in literary matters, and published a history of the Sewall family some years ago.

Mrs. Barnes was the daughter of William and Eliza Ward Middleton Sewall.

In the Long Age, One evening in 1853 the little boy from Perry was taken by his little girl cousins up from North Main street, thro the square and out Morgan street, to the Academy. It was his first view of that institution, and the trees and grass looked as nicely, and the girls, sitting on the grass, as pretty as all those things are now-a-days. Returning to the house on North Main, opposite McConnell's, the children came up Church street to West State. There the older girl said to the boy: "There is our preacher's house, Mr. Glover's." This may not be a very important point in history, but the mind of the writer goes back to that evening, and the Goltra-Glover-Barnes home has always been clearly identified in his mind since.

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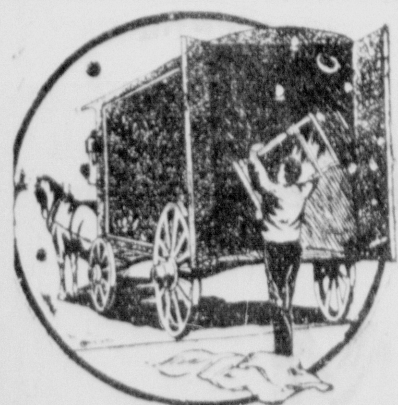
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CALL WOOD'S for taxi for clubs,
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LOST—2 rings, one with one set
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Bell phone 549. 1-27-17
LOST—A black and tan terrier wear-
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Cherry Bark Cough Syrup



Contains no habit-forming drugs or dangerous ingredients. It is extremely pleasant, prompt and effectual.

Standard Price
One Bottle 25c
Two Bottles 26c

LARGE SIZE
One Bottle 50c
Two Bottles 51c

The Rexall Store

ONE CENT SALE!

Bouquet Jeanice Talcum



It brings to you the combined odor of the tuberose, the violet, the heliotrope, the geranium, the jasmine and other choice flowers, all of which are delightfully blended.

Standard Price This Sale
One 50c Two 51c
Can 25c Violet Dulce Talcum Powder, 2 for 26c

REXALL VIOLET TALCUM

A powder that appeals to ladies and children, and especially recommended to gentlemen to use after shaving.

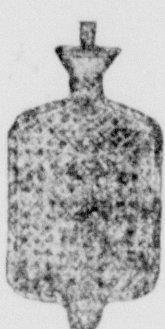
15c Can 2 for 16c
25c Can 2 for 26c

4 Days Only---Wed., Thurs., Fri., Sat.---January 31, February 1, 2, 3

Maximum Hot-Water Bottle

The largest selling bottle in the world.
The price everywhere is \$2.00 each.
Full two-quart capacity. Guaranteed for two years.

Standard Price This Sale
One Bottle \$2.00 Two Bottles \$2.01

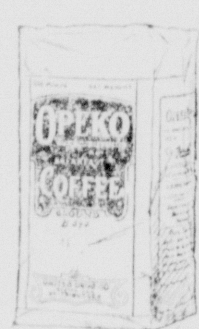


Rubber Goods and Household Needs

35c Sunshine Rubber Gloves 2 for 36c	25c Eye Wash 2 for 26c	25c White Pine, Tar and Wild Cherry 2 for 26c	25c Carbolic Salve 2 for 26c
25c Stork Nurses 2 for 26c	50c Internal Pile Remedy 2 for 51c	50c White Pine, Tar and Wild Cherry 2 for 51c	25c Cathartic Pills 2 for 26c
5c Stork Nipple 2 for 6c	25c Ko-Ko-Kas-Kets 2 for 26c	15c Toothache Gum 2 for 16c	25c Soda Mint Tab. 2 for 26c
25c Ear and Ulcer Springs 2 for 26c	\$1.00 Tonic Solution of Hypophosphites 2 for \$1.01	25c White Liniment 2 for 26c	25c Cathartic Tab. 2 for 26c
10c Stork Pacifier 2 for 11c	25c Mother Kroh's Baby Water Bottle 2 for \$1.51	25c Witch Hazel Ointment 2 for 26c	25c Cleaning Fluid 2 for 26c
\$1.50 American Beauty Water Bottle 2 for \$1.51	25c Mother Kroh's Baby Cough Syrup 2 for 26c	50c Catarrh Spray Liquid 2 for 51c	25c Earache Rem. 2 for 26c
5c Medicine Droppers 2 for 6c	25c Mother Kroh's Colic Remedy 2 for 26c	25c Liggett's Pure Ex- tract of Lemon 2 for 26c	
25c Hot Water Bottle Covers 2 for 26c	50c Eczema Oint. 2 for 51c		

Opeko Coffee and Tea

The very best we can buy—
Specially blended and
packed.
One pound 38c Two for 39c



Extraordinary

We have arranged for the entire seating capacity of Scott's Picture Show and on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday will sell our tickets for any seat in the house Two for 11c. Following is program:
Wednesday—Fox Feature, George Walsh in "The Mediator."
Thursday—Paramount Picture, Donald Brian in "The Smugglers."
Friday—Greater Vitagraph Feature of Super Merit. Regular Price 10c. Two for 11c.

Luly-Davis Drug Co. 44 North Side Square Jacksonville, Illinois

No Goods Delivered—But all Telephone or Mail Orders received will be held until after sale is over.

SOME LOCAL WATER WORKS HISTORY RECALLED

Major George McConnell had important part in directing Scouting for the improvement.

A great deal has been said regarding the waterworks in our city and a due record of praise has been bestowed on the late Joseph O. King for being the father of the enterprise and laboring so assiduously for its completion. Three elections on the question were held but each time the matter was carried to a successful issue some obstacle would be placed in the way and the works would be set back.

At last the people voted again that they wanted water works and the efforts of the obstructionists failed and that was due largely to the splendid stand taken by Major George M. McConnell, now residing in Fairbanks, Alabama. In the spring of 1872 that gentleman was elected mayor of the city and it fell to his lot to push the matter along. Major McConnell was always a public spirited man. He was one of the promoters of the ill-fated Home Woven Mills which burned in the winter of 1873 just when they were on the eve of prosperity. He was largely instrumental in the founding

of the Jacksonville National bank, was its first assistant cashier and later its cashier; he had much to do in various other ways both in business as well as in music and literature.

Away back in the 60's a fine literary organization, The Odson, was organized and he was the prime mover in that and in a good many other useful enterprises.

Had Strong Conviction
When he was elected mayor the prime movers in the waterworks had undergone a deal of hard work and were eager to see the accomplishment of the undertaking. The obstructionists tried their tactics on him but without avail. Major McConnell had a polite, suave manner of speaking, not rude or offensive, but a look at his eye at once made his auditor feel that what the gentleman said was fully meant and when he expressed his convictions and determinations argument was wholly useless and so the work was undertaken.

Shannahan & Correa received the contract for excavating Morgan Lake and when the question of capacity arose some of the very sanguine said the day might come, away in the future, when Jacksonville would use 125,000 gallons of water a day. (The present consumption is right at 85,000 gallons daily.)

All sorts of bugbears and doleful prophecies were bestowed on Mayor McConnell but he was firm in his performance of duty and exerted his power as head of the city government for the completion of the water works and the lake was completed during his term of office and was all right.

As so few are here now who were conversant with the facts as they were at that time, and as the writer was one of the few, he deemed it only just to offer these facts to the public.

Edward R. Schell and Eugene Hamblough of St. Sterling were numbered among the business visitors in the city yesterday.

Grippy weather
this. Better get a
box of—



The old family remedy—in tablet form—safe, sure, easy to take. No nausea—no unpleasant after effects. Cures colds in 24 hours—Grip in 3 days. Money back if it fails. Get the genuine box with Red Top and Mr. Hill's picture on it—25 cents. At Any Drug Store

JANUARY FIRES BREAK ALL MONTHLY RECORDS

Twenty-Eight Runs Made by the Department in First 31 Days of 1917
Unequalled in Ten Year Period—
Most Calls from Fourth Ward—
Property Loss Small.

During the month of January the fire department made a total of 28 runs. This probably is the largest number of runs in one month made in the history of the department. Chief Hunt said Wednesday that he had looked over the records for ten years back and could find nothing to approach it, the number of runs being between ten and fifteen in high record months.

Last year during the entire twelve months the department made a total of seventy-five runs. This year twenty-eight have been made in one month, or more than a third of the total number of 1916.

Chief Hunt has tabulated the fires, their cause, the value of the property, the total amount of insurance, the total loss and the total insurance loss for the month. In the amount of property involved, however, is not given false alarms and burning chimneys where there was no damage.

The total value of the property where fire damage was done is \$69,925.00. The total amount of insurance \$41,600.00. The total loss on property was \$5,195.00 and the total insurance loss paid amounted to \$2,880.00.

The fires were apportioned as follows: First ward, five; second ward, seven; third ward, seven; fourth ward, eight. The location of fires, owners of property and the cause during the month follow:

Here is the Record
Jan. 1, 7 a. m., North Main street, A. M. Robinson, chimney fire.
3, 7:30 a. m., South Diamond street, Edward Caldwell, false alarm.
3, 6:30 p. m., 152 Caldwell street, Mrs. Henry Johnson, roof fire.
10, 5 a. m., 39 North Side square, Shadford Bros., overheated gas heater.
10, 8:20, 1600 Grove street, W. H. Mosely, roof fire.
11, 9 a. m., 921 South East street, Mary Caldwell, chimney fire.
11, 11 a. m., North East corner square Grand Opera House, no damage.
11, 5:40 p. m., 853 North Main street, A. M. Robinson, chimney fire.
12, 10 a. m., West Lafayette avenue, C. H. Philcox, roof fire.
13, 3:30 p. m., 903 Doolin avenue, Moses Perry, roof fire.
13, 7:15 p. m., East State street, Jacksonville Auto Co., roof fire.
14, 3:20 p. m., 518 South Diamond street, J. R. Watt, roof fire.
16, 9:00 a. m., Marion street, James Fisher, roof fire.
15, 4:45 a. m., 33 West State

street, Capt. Alex Smith, house burned.
17, 7:45 a. m., Doolin avenue, James Westrope, roof fire.
23, 7:50 a. m., 936 North Church street, Mrs. Sarah Sharp, spark from chimney set shed on fire.
23, 9:00 a. m., 445 South Clay avenue, E. G. Hess, chimney fire.
26, 10 a. m., 153 North Pine street Mrs. J. B. Wharton, roof fire.
26, 11 a. m., 544 Brooklyn avenue, Mrs. T. E. Laurie, roof fire.
26, 8:45 p. m., 1124 South East street Sherman Spencer, house burned.
27, 12:25 p. m., 214 Bissell street Rev. W. W. Theobald, roof fire.
28, 8 a. m., 646 Diamond street, Louis Kelly, chimney fire.
28, 4 p. m., Lincoln avenue, grass fire.
28, 10 p. m., 1152 West College avenue, Mrs. Mary T. Carriel, chimney fire.
29, 11:45 a. m., North Diamond, Henry Couchman, auto truck.
30, 4 p. m., College street and C. & A. railroad, grass fire.
Jan. 31, 3:30 p. m., 330 Madison street, Mrs. Mattie Edwards, burning chimney.
Jan. 31, 7 p. m., 239 Caldwell street, F. J. Blackburn, roof fire.

A leading Furrier has made a shipment of the better grades of Ladies' Furs to FRANK BYRNS with instructions to sell them this week. If low prices will help do it they will certainly go.

RETOPPING FOR NORTH CHURCH STREET PLANNED

A meeting of the board of local improvement was held Wednesday afternoon when a resolution was adopted providing for the retopping of North Church street, with tar, via. It is the expectation to make this improvement from State street to the Wabash railroad and Monday, Feb. 12, was fixed as the date for the hearing. A number of residents of the street have been agitating the question of retopping for some time as the pavement there is very rough. With all the paving projects now under way this season promises to become of active public improvement.

VISITOR FROM ALASKA

Luther C. Hess of Fairbanks, Alaska, spent a few hours in Jacksonville yesterday and then went to Pittsfield, where he is visiting relatives. Mr. Hess, who graduated from Illinois college in 1891, has for a great many years been located at Fairbanks. He is a successful attorney here with a large practice. While in Jacksonville he spent some time with his classmate, W. E. Boston, and called on a number of friends of his college days.

Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Deere of Franklin were among visitors in Jacksonville Wednesday.

FEBRUARY COURT TERM WILL BEGIN MONDAY

Judge Burton coming for Two Weeks Period—A Busy Time Promised as Docket is Heavy

The February term of the Morgan county circuit court will convene next Monday Feb. 5, with Judge F. W. Burton of Carlinville presiding. There will be no jury cases in the term of court and because of press of business in other counties of the district Judge Burton will not be able to be here more than two weeks. The docket setting for Monday and Tuesday as previously fixed is as follows:

Monday
Lillian B. Moody vs. W. R. Moody, divorce.
Mary J. Dobyns et al. vs. Sherman Spencer, et al. bill.

Tuesday
J. B. Lombard, executor, vs. F. W. Thomas, et al. assumpsit.
Lyda V. Farwell, vs. W. M. Smith et al. partition.

J. B. Lombard vs. E. E. Crabtree, executor, bill.
Richard Toy vs. E. O. Towne, assumpsit.

The other new cases filed for hearing at the present term are listed below. This docket does not include continuances:

Criminal Cases
People vs. Wood Woolery and Carl Ross, murder.
People vs. J. L. Vosses Day, murder.
People vs. McKinley Harrison, murder.

People vs. George Murphy and Elmer Cannon, burglary and larceny.
People vs. Lawrence Hale and Minard Bridges, burglary and larceny.

People vs. George Murphy, Elmer Cannon and Clara Cannon, receiving stolen goods.
People vs. Ralph Laker, wife abandonment.

People vs. Sid Atwell, larceny.
People vs. David Sparks, drunk on train.

Common Law Cases
City of Jacksonville vs. W. C. Headen, appeal from J. P.
City of Jacksonville vs. Oliver Hann, appeal from J. P.

Mabel Wright vs. Faye Roberts, trespass.
Jacob Cohen & Son vs. Capital City Iron Metal & Wool Co., attachment.

George C. Olinger vs. John S. Sheppard and McClelland Sheppard, assumpsit.
Jacob Cohen & Son vs. A. Cantor, attachment.

Rena Joaquin vs. Walter McCormick, trespass.
Iver Mueller, by next friend, vs. Wabash Railway company, trespass.

Fountain J. Andrews vs. Mrs. Geo. J. Chambers alias et al. set fa to revive judgment.

Chancery Cases
Estate of Joseph A. Campbell, executor, vs. Joseph G. Garden, et al. vs. Matilda DeCosta Gomes, et al., partition.

Mabel Wright vs. Oyer Wright, divorce.
Ada Greenwall vs. Henry Dryden, bill.

Manilla E. Richards vs. Clarence J. Richards, separate maintenance.
Alfred J. Stults vs. Elsie L. Stults, divorce.

City of Waverly, Ill. vs. Chicago, Burlington & Quincy R. R., injunction.
Bertha Sample vs. Charles N. Sample, divorce.

Howard P. Davis vs. Clara Margaret Bonner Davis, divorce.
Ida M. Irving, et al. vs. John G. Irving, et al. bill.

John Roy Decker vs. Stella Decker, divorce.
L. C. Wood et al. vs. Mary E. Wood et al. partition.

Lola Seymour vs. Glenn Seymour, divorce.
Antonio J. Oliver vs. Eliza Oliver, divorce.

Rolly O. Hoover vs. Grace Hoover, divorce.
William H. Jones vs. Henry Narr et al., partition.

Clarence J. Richards by next friend, vs. Manilla E. Richards, divorce.
William Hauser vs. John M. Smith et al., foreclosure.

Farmers State Bank & Trust company vs. Hannah L. Hembrough, et al., petition.
George W. Brunk et al. vs. William E. Peters, et al. partition.

Charles Edward Campbell vs. Albert C. Baldwin, trustee, et al., partition.
Mary J. Newman vs. Henry Newman, divorce.

Mary J. Sell vs. Mary E. Campbell, et al., foreclosure.
Trustees of Illinois college vs. William P. Six, et al., foreclosure.

Louisa J. Buchanan vs. John A. Buchanan, separate maintenance.
Emma Reynolds, executrix et al., ex parte petition, bill.

Josephine Newman Smith vs. Hugh Barr Smith, divorce.
In the matter of the adoption of Irma Magdalene Knapp by Elmer R. Fraser.

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Real Estate Transfers
Harry Gillis to John Daly, lots 1, 2 and 3, block 5, Bethel, \$1.
Grant Graft, sheriff, to L. Lowenstein, et al., lot 8, Sanderson's addition to Jacksonville, \$1.

Charles Thompson to F. L. Gregory, lot 128 Car Shops addition, \$1.
F. L. Gregory to W. L. Witt, lot 128 Car Shops addition, \$1.

John M. Butler, master in chancery, to W. L. Witt, lot 128 Car Shops addition, \$150.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Morse and daughter Anna were down to the city yesterday from Chandlerville calling on friends before going to Oklahoma.

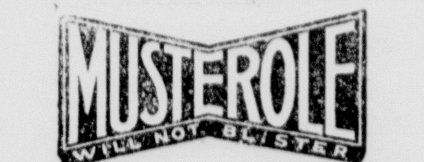
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